

## County voters get another chance at school bond issue

The Crawford AuSable School District Board of Education took the initial action necessary toward placing ballot issues before the voters once again to resolve district overcrowding and infrastructure needs.

Documents are currently being prepared for presentation to the Michigan Department of Education and Treasury for two ballot issues, which together, would contain all components of the Dec. 13 issue of \$11,850,000.

That issue was defeated by district voters by a 1,314 to 1,205 vote tally.

The board directed the next issues to be presented to voters in March.

Proposition One would include a new elementary school for preschool through second grades attached to the current Grayling Elementary School. It would also include renovations at the Grayling Elementary and Frederic Elementary playgrounds, and parking and traffic flow improvements at the elementary school sites. It would include moving the high school athletic field from the Grayling Elementary site to the high school site, purchase of land adjacent to the middle school for development of physical education playgrounds, and computer networking and technology improvements to link all district buildings.

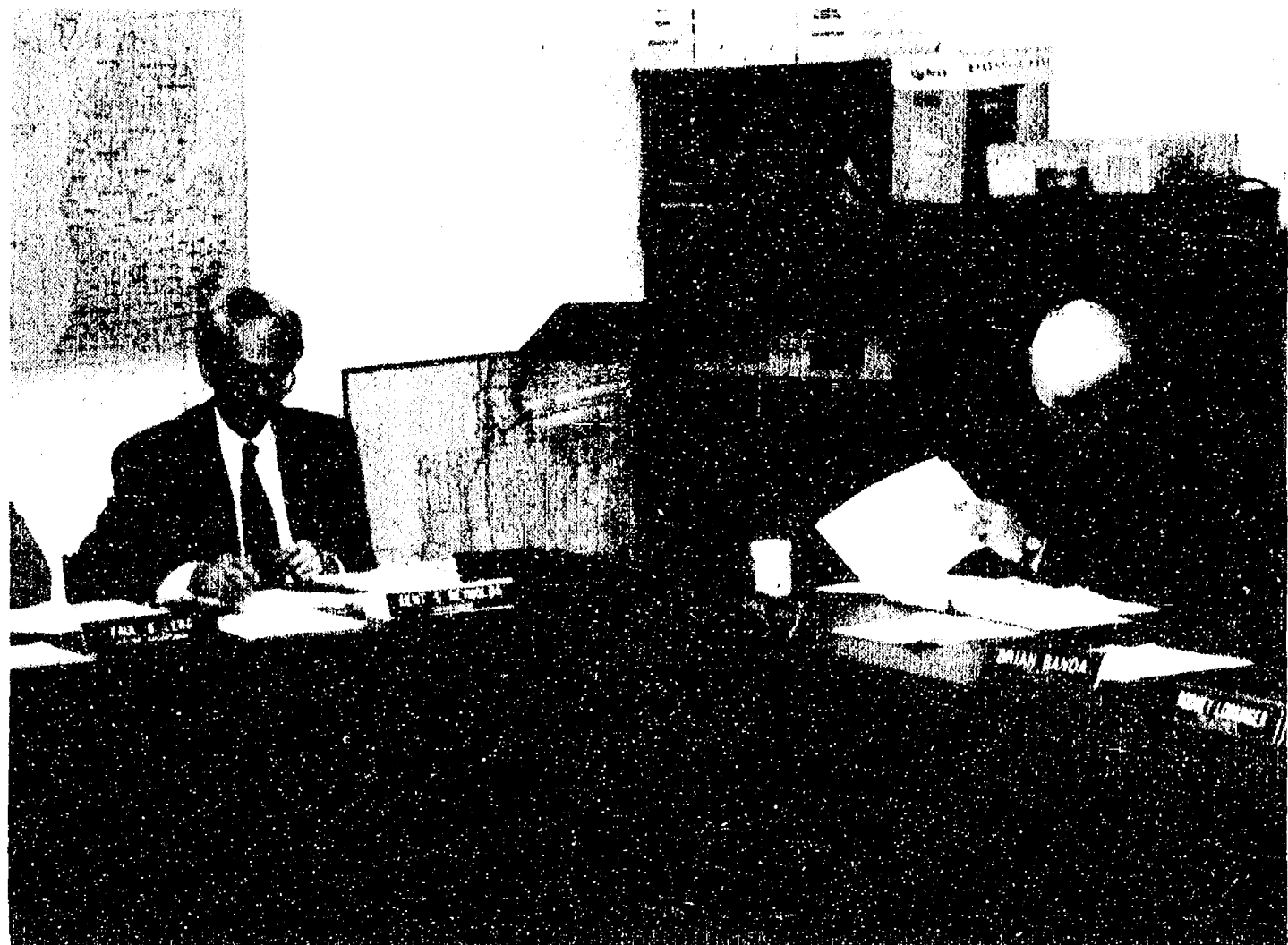
The board directed that Proposition Two be for additions and renovations at the high school, including four additional technology based classrooms, a cafeteria and kitchen. It would also include reconfiguration and renovation of existing classroom spaces and replacement of heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems.

Separation of the Dec. 13 issue into two propositions allows the board of education to return the issue to the voters sooner than six months.

Application for preliminary qualification for the bonds by the State of Michigan will be presented to the board of education for its approval at a special meeting Jan. 10, at 7 p.m. in the Grayling Middle School conference room.

Approval of the application by the Michigan Department of Treasury usually follows about a month after approval the the board of education. This timeline will allow the board to take action in early February to set the final bond issue propositions and date for the election.

The board has tentatively set the date of Monday, March 20, for the special bond issue election.



**DISCUSSING THEIR OPTIONS**--Crawford AuSable School District Superintendent Kent Reynolds and Board of Education President Bernadine Dosch ponder the future of the elementary school overcrowding problem at the recent school board meeting.

## St. Mary's Church looks into opening St. Mary's School

By Terry Wright  
News Editor

Father Michael Connor of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grayling, announced recently he is investigating the possibility of re-opening the Grayling St. Mary's School.

"It's only in the idea stage," Fr. Michael said. "But, there is enough interest that I have to address it. I owe it to the people."

St. Mary's School was closed in 1971 after many years of operation as a first through eighth grade parochial school.

Fr. Michael said there have been no decisions as to which grades the school may include, but expected at least some to be elementary grades.

He said the determining factor in re-opening the school would be the cost.

"It's a matter of a price tag," he said. "If we can afford to do it, we will. The initial cost to bring the building up to code would be tremendous, far above and beyond tuition costs. If we

find we can afford the building costs, then we have to determine if there will be enough tuition to sustain the school operation."

He said if the school re-opens, it may not be possible to open for the 1995-96 school year, but hoped it could be ready for the following year.

The St. Mary's school building includes four classrooms which form a wing of the parish complex facing Lake Street in Grayling.

As a parochial school, St. Mary's would not be eligible to receive funding through the Michigan School Aid Fund, nor would it be eligible for funding as a charter school. All funding would come from local parishioners and tuition or through diocesan subsidization.

The Grayling St. Mary's parish is part of the Diocese of Gaylord, under Bishop Patrick R. Cooney.

Attempts to reach Bishop Cooney for his comments were unsuccessful due to the offices of the Diocese of Gaylord being closed for the holidays.

## Public comments sought on county solid waste amendment proposal

The Crawford County Solid Waste Management Committee has scheduled a public comment meeting to discuss the proposed amendment to the county's solid waste management plan submitted by City Environmental Services Inc. of Waters (CESW).

The meeting is not a public hearing, but a meeting to gather comments from the public. It has been set for Wednesday, Jan. 11, at 7 p.m., in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School.

The amendment specifies which counties may dispose of waste at the CESW landfill and which counties may accept waste from Crawford County.

The amendment reads:

"Outside counties which may dispose of waste at the City Environmental Services, Inc. of Waters landfill for the 5 and 20 year planning periods include Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Arenac, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Chippewa, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Iosco, Kalkaska, Luce, Mackinac, Missaukee, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon and Wexford.

"Outside counties which Crawford County may export waste to for disposal, for the 5 and 20 year planning periods, include Montmorency/Oscoda, Wexford, Chippewa and Charlevoix."

The amendment states that counties outside of Crawford and Otsego may dispose up to 951,008 cubic yards per calendar year at the CESW facility in Maple Forest Township.

The amendment also regulates the construction of waste transfer stations within Crawford County.

In addition, CESW has agreed to provide other services to Crawford County if the amendment passes including six specific requests of the Crawford County Solid Waste Management Committee, including:

1) CESW will guarantee sufficient disposal capacity to Crawford County at the CESW landfill or other landfill to meet the disposal needs of Crawford County as identified in the plan for 20 years.

2) CESW agrees to subsidize a recycling program in Crawford County for one year commencing the first of the month following inclusion of the attached amendment in the plan, in substantially the same form as

previously implemented, at a cost of \$12,740 to Crawford County.

3) CESW agrees, at its expense, to implement a household hazardous waste and waste reduction education program in each of the counties disposing of waste at the landfill under terms acceptable to CESW.

4) CESW agrees to offer long term contracts for waste disposal to each of the townships within Crawford County, on reasonable terms mutually acceptable to the townships and CESW.

5) CESW shall agree to hold harmless and indemnify each municipality within Crawford County from liability for any response costs arising from the contamination caused by the Crawford-Otsego Solid Waste Management Authority.

6) CESW shall forebear from pursuing any claim for damages it believes it has incurred prior to the date of the inclusion of the amendment in the plan resulting from any failure to include within the solid waste

management plan the authorization for those counties to receive and dispose of the solid waste from other counties. Moreover, CESW shall not request the county to add additional counties pursuant to any contractual obligation arising from the purchase agreement so long as such amendment remains unchanged and part of the plan.

The entire proposed amendment submitted by CESW in October, and the recommendations from the Crawford County Solid Waste Management Committee, is currently available to the public at the county clerk's office.

The amendment is now in the middle of a 90-day public comment period which began Nov. 3. Persons wishing to make written comments to the committee may send them to: Crawford County Solid Waste Management Committee, C/O Crawford County Clerk's Office, 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

If accepted by the solid waste management committee, the amendment will go to the county board of commissioners for its approval and then to each municipality within the county for their approval before final approval or disapproval is given by the director of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

**Special tribute to Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce Director Deborah Allen, as she leaves Grayling, December 31st, to become the executive director of the Gaylord/Otsego chamber--Page 1B.**

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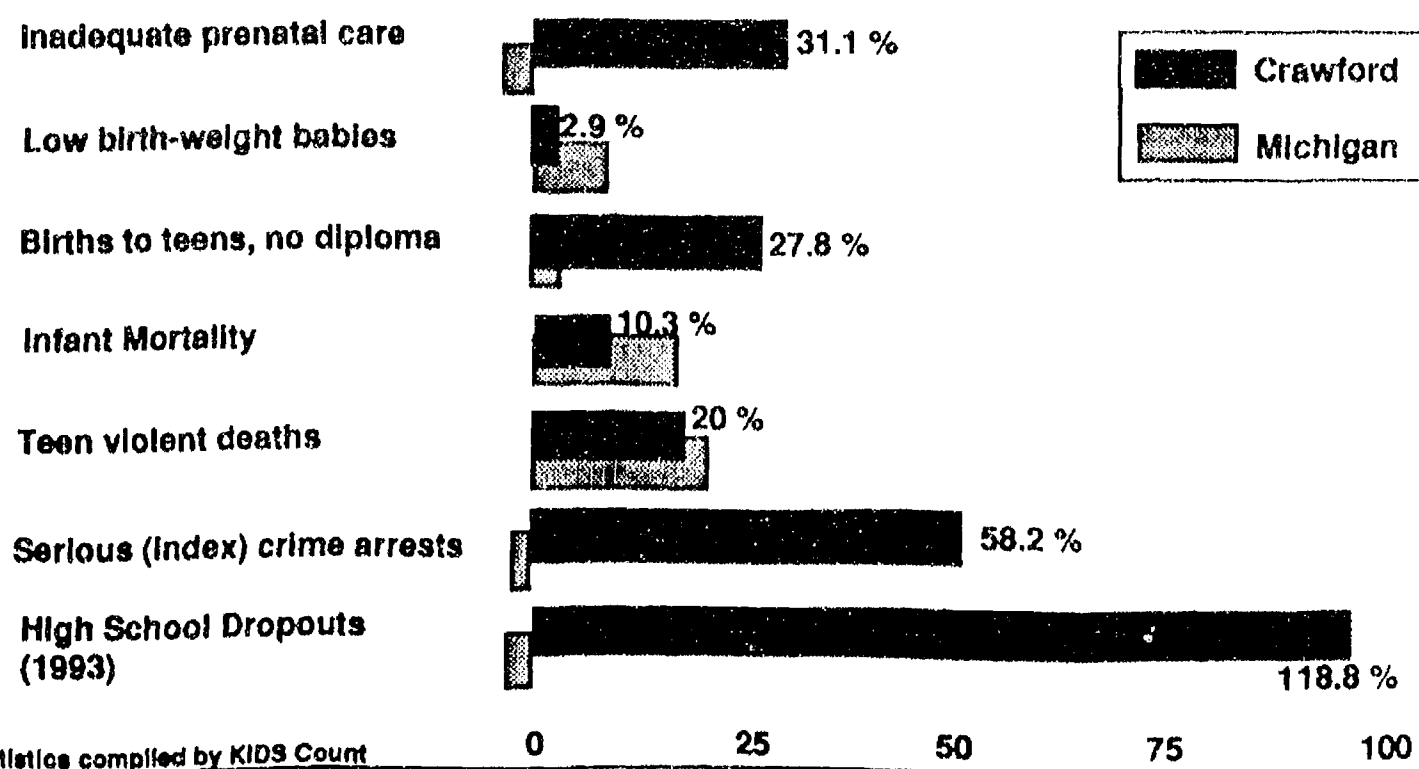
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## Kids Count reveals many county youths in trouble

### Changes In Well-being Of Children: Trends

For the first six indicators, the number and rate reflect 3-year averages: 1980-82 for the base year and 1990-92 for the recent year, except for serious crime arrests, which uses 1980-90 and 1991-93. For high school dropouts, 1991-92 is used as the base year and 1992-93 for the recent year. Indicators show percent of increase.



By Linda Denton  
Staff Writer

Crawford County is bucking Michigan trends, at least when it comes to children.

According to *KIDS COUNT in Michigan 1994 Data Book*, juvenile arrests for serious crimes are down in Michigan, but in Crawford County the number of juvenile arrests for serious crimes has increased.

The county's rate of serious crime arrests among youth is almost 60 percent higher during 1991-93 than it was during 1988-90. In comparison to other counties, however, Crawford County still has one of the lowest number of serious crime arrests among youth with a ranking of 12 out of 83 counties ranked best to worst.

The counties with the lowest juvenile arrest rates for serious crimes were Leelanau County with 2.1 percent and Midland County with 4.4 percent; the highest rates, which were roughly

double the state average, were 50.2 percent in Kalamazoo County and 46.3 percent in Berrien County. Between 1991 and 1993, an average of 12 such arrests occurred in Crawford County each year. Between 1988 and 1990, an average of 4 such arrests occurred in Crawford County each year.

Jane Zehnder-Merrell, project director for *KIDS COUNT* in Michigan, said juvenile arrest numbers tend to be inflated because juveniles usually work in groups. This means several arrests could be made for just one or two incidents making the crime rate look higher.

According to *KIDS COUNT*, Crawford County has one of the highest incidences of high school dropouts in Michigan. Of the 66 Michigan counties ranked, Crawford County is rated 65, which is one of the worst dropout rates in Michigan.

In the 1992-93 school year, *KIDS COUNT* said 14 percent of the county's

9-12th graders dropped out of school prior to graduation, more than double the county's rate in the prior year. The state has a dropout rate of 5.7 percent. Kent Reynolds, superintendent of Crawford AuSable School District, disputes *KIDS COUNT*'s dropout rate of 14 percent. Reynolds provided information that puts the dropout rate at 6.4 percent for the 1992-93 school year.

Reynolds questioned the accuracy of *KIDS COUNT*'s numbers and the rating of Crawford County at one of the worst for dropout rates. He questioned the source of the information and the way the numbers were calculated.

"I have no idea where that number came from because we have no number that even comes close to approximating it," said Reynolds about *KIDS COUNT* figures.

Reynolds said that *KIDS COUNT* Continued on page 2A



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## Kids Count reveals kids in trouble

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estimated much of the data when determining dropout rates. Reynolds did not rule out the possibility of KIDS COUNT receiving inaccurate data.

"Either we are one of the counties they estimated, or they got some faulty data," said Reynolds.

Reynolds said there are several different methods to calculate the dropout rate and he would be interested to know how KIDS COUNT arrived at the 14 percent dropout rate. Reynolds explained the school district keeps track of two different figures, the dropout rate and the retention rate. In the Crawford AuSable School District's annual report to the community, 1993-94, the dropout and retention rates were reported as follows:

The dropout rate is calculated as the percentage of students who leave school during the year without enrolling in another educational program. As the students in Michigan must attend school until they are sixteen, the dropout rate is calculated only for the high school. The Grayling High School dropout rate for 1990-91 school year was 4.2 percent, for the 1991-92 school year 5.8 percent, for the 1992-93 school year 6.4 percent and for the 1993-94 school year 5.6 percent.

The retention rate is calculated as the percentage of students who graduate from high school four years after entering the ninth grade. Those students who move away or move in during the four years do not enter into the calculation. The retention rate for the graduating class of 1991 was 87.2 percent, 85 percent for the class of 1992, 81.4 percent for the class of 1993 and 82.3 percent for the class of 1994.

In the annual educational report for Grayling High School by the Crawford AuSable School District for the 1993-94 school year, the dropout rate for the Class of 1994 was calculated at 11.5 percent.

Reynolds said the high rate for seniors was normal and reflected the students who were unable to meet qualifications for graduation by the June graduation date.

KIDS COUNT also said a third of Michigan children live in a low in-

come family (\$23,446 for a family of four in 1989; \$27,380 in 1994). Poverty rates among children under age five increased 44 percent during the 1980s compared to a national increase of 26 percent.

In Crawford County over 600 children live in poverty, according to KIDS COUNT. The city of Grayling has almost 200 children living in poverty, making Grayling the largest concentration of poor children in Crawford County.

KIDS COUNT in Michigan is a collaborative project of Michigan's Children, the Michigan League for Human Services, and Michigan State University. The project is funded by the Baltimore, Maryland-based Annie E. Casey Foundation and the southeast Michigan-based Skillman Foundation. KIDS COUNT is active in 47 states and the District of Columbia. State projects compile and present information on child well-being at the county and often metropolitan level.

Approximately 10 core indicators available for all 83 counties have been selected to monitor the status of Michigan's children and families. Data is drawn primarily from state and federal agencies. Counties are organized into peer groups by population size for presentation and comparison.

Indicators used to determine child well-being are divided into four major categories: health care, nutrition, safety and education. When considering health care, KIDS COUNT uses the percent of low birth weight babies, infant mortality rate, child death rate (ages 1-14), prenatal care and the number of births to teens. Nutrition concerns include the number of children receiving food stamps, and free or reduced-price school meals. Safety indicators used to determine child well-being include the number of children in out-of-home placement, substantiated child abuse and neglect cases, and the number of juvenile arrests for violent crimes. The education of children is also measured by considering the percent of on-time high school graduates and dropout rates, MEAP scores, and the number of students eligible for state-endorsed diplomas.

Compared to other counties in Michigan, Crawford only has one other county who has a higher rate of births to teenagers who don't have a diploma. Out of 83 counties, Crawford is ranked 74 for the highest incidents of low birth-weight babies.

Crawford County ranked one up from the bottom for two of the ten indicators that KIDS COUNT uses.

"In those areas where investments have been made, such as in health care, we have clearly seen improvements," said Zehnder-Merrell. "In other areas, there is cause for concern that we may not be doing all that we can to improve the lives of many of the state's children."

### A year in the Life of Michigan's Children

10,826 infants were born weighing less than 5.5 pounds.

1,460 babies died before their first birthday.

612 children died before they turned fourteen.

440,082 children lived in families with very low incomes.

462,160 children received nutritional support through school meals programs.

19,522 youngsters lived in foster care.

2,912 teen mothers received inadequate prenatal care.

22,584 youngsters dropped out of high school.

Information compiled by KIDS COUNT in Michigan 1993-1994

## Negative campaigns produce 'no' votes

By Heather McEvoy  
Capital News Service

Verbal battles and negative attacks dominated Michigan's elections and knocked some candidates out of the running.

"It's hard to find any candidate anywhere that escaped it," said Bill Ballenger, editor of the *Inside Michigan Politics* newsletter.

Only popular candidates in safe districts where they had no real competition could afford to run positive campaigns, he said.

"It's easy to be positive and be hailed as a saint when you know you will win," Ballenger said.

However, the heated races throughout the state resulted in more fierce competition than in past elections and some questionable political advertising, said Ed Sarpolus of the Lansing based EPIC/MRA polling firm.

"In general, the ads were much more partisan and involved more name calling," he said.

Sarpolus said it was unfortunate no real issues or problem-solving techniques were addressed in the campaign ads.

The time constraints of television and radio advertising were blamed for the limited, often misleading information on candidates, Sarpolus said.

"No one reads anymore. They rely on TV and radio for all their information. This is trouble," he said.

Many candidates got away with false ads because they knew voters would not investigate their claims, but voters did get confused, Sarpolus said.

"Voters don't know what to believe. It's easier to believe the negative," he said.

However, political opponents usually investigated and attacked back, Sarpolus said.

He said candidates invested much of their budgets in extensive polling to discover what voters believed and what they needed to be told.

"Nothing was done without polling of some sort done," Sarpolus said.

Candidates who failed to respond to malicious attacks lost the elections, he said.

"You have to respond immediately," he said.

Ballenger agreed.

He cited Ronna Romney's loss in the Republican primary as a result of her failure to immediately respond to pro-abortion accusations made by her opponent, U. S. Sen.-elect Spencer Abraham.

"That's what cost her the election," he said.

Although some campaigning got dirty, Ballenger said most ads were comparisons of candidates' accomplishments, not mudslinging battles.

"I don't think they crossed the line of good taste," Ballenger said.

However, John Calo, campaign manager for state Rep. David Anthony, D-Escanaba, said he thought Anthony's opponent, Laurie Bink, crossed the line.

"I think she went overboard and the people were fed up," Calo said.

Calo said the people in the Upper Peninsula are not used to negative campaigns, nor do they appreciate them.

"They got a taste of negative politics and they don't care for it," he said.

He said many people were offended by the negative campaigns they saw attacking their neighborhood politicians.

"They were attacking their neighbors," Calo said.

He said U. P. voters responded to Bink's negative campaigning by re-electing Anthony by 1,199 votes.

Michigan voter turnout, at over 3 million, was the highest it has ever been in a gubernatorial election.

Calo said the reason people cast their ballots was to change a system they were weary of.

"People wanted change and that may have motivated them," Calo said.

Ballenger said there were no surprises on election day.

"What happened here in Michigan was not unexpected," he said.

### Card of thanks

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### Curtis accepted as exchange student

Heather Curtis of Grayling, has been accepted by Youth For Understanding (YFU) International Exchange as an international exchange student. She will live with a family in the Netherlands on the YFU 1995 year program. Curtis attends Grayling High School in Grayling.

YFU was established in 1951 as a private, non-profit educational organization dedicated to promoting international understanding and world peace through exchange programs for high school students.

Today, YFU operates exchange programs in more than two dozen countries and has 10 regional offices in the United States, an International Center in Washington, D.C., and a world-wide network of some 250 employees, several thousand volunteers, and more than 150,000 alumni. In addition to the American Overseas program, YFU offers families in the U.S. the opportunity to host an international student from one of over 30 countries. For more information about YFU programs, call 1-800-TEENAGE (833-6243).

### Maple syrup producers to meet in Grayling

Michigan State University Extension (MSU-E) and the Michigan Maple Syrup Association (MMSA) will again be cosponsoring a day-long educational program on Saturday, Jan. 21, for any interested maple syrup producers.

This year's program will feature presentations on the propagation and cultivation of sugar maple for high sap sugar, squirrel repellent trials, physical and genetic factors that affect sap sugar concentration, MDA licensing requirements, UPC labelling and more. By special arrangement, a few of these topics will be videotaped from the 1995 Maple Production School from Cornell University and shown at this meeting.

In addition to the educational program, there will be several maple

syrup equipment suppliers on-hand to exhibit their products for those who attend, plus a short business meeting by MMSA.

The program will be held at the Holiday Inn in Grayling, on the I-75 Business Loop, and will run from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Registration for the program begins at 8:30 a.m. and cost is \$15 per adult and \$7 per child, age 6-13 (under age 5 free). Registration fees are payable at the door. This fee includes a buffet luncheon, refreshments, program costs and facility use.

For more information, contact the Crawford County Michigan State University Extension office at 348-2841, extension 264. Pre-registration for this program is greatly appreciated.

### Students win tickets to 'PageMaster' movie

The 25 students who won free tickets to see the movie, *PageMaster*, at the Rialto Theater were Desiree Young, Michele Pratt, Tasheena Joseph, Elizabeth Hellebuyck, Patti Peever, Bonnie Hogston, Mike Schmidt, Trevor Clough, Jesse Moggo, Jonathon Handy, Tracey Lewis, Jennifer Hoag, Andrew Peterson, Kim Erb, Kalynn Stewart, Brek Denewett, Barbie Wargo, Annie Hansen, Holly Derenzy, Tommy Curley, KC Kindler, Kimberly Hatfield, Danyelle Larson, Erik Olson, and Nick Klemish.

To enter the *PageMaster* drawing, children in grades kindergarten through fifth were invited to read three books and drop off entry forms at the

Grayling Middle School, Frederic Elementary School, Grayling Elementary School, Crawford County Library, Lovells Township Library or Frederic Community Library.

Students in grades kindergarten through fifth are also invited to answer the essay question "How did the library change Richard Tyler's life in the *PageMaster*?" in 150 words or less.

Deadline for the *PageMaster* Essay Contest is Jan. 25.

Copies of the book *PageMaster* will be given to the winners of the essay contest.

For more information, ask your librarian or call 348-9214.

### Kirtland Foundation funds area high school writing/art competition

The Kirtland Community College Foundation will fund a high school writing/art competition for students enrolled in Grayling, Ogemaw Heights, Mio AuSable, Fairview, Houghton Lake, and Roscommon high schools. A \$50 first prize and \$25 second prize will be awarded in each of five categories: fiction, non-fiction, poetry, journalism, and art. *North Woods Visions*, a book compiled of the winning entries, as well as all finalists, will be published by Kirtland Community College (KCC) in May, 1995.

After learning of the foundation's decision, Dr. Dorothy Franke, president of KCC, responded, "The writing/art competition is a wonderful ideal. It will nurture aspiring high school writers and artists and will build closer relationships between the high schools and Kirtland Community College."

### Nunn receives N.M.U. degree

Paula Nunn of Grayling, was among 490 graduates receiving her degree during Northern Michigan University's smidyear commencement on Saturday, Dec. 17.

Registrar Marilyn M. Robbert reports that 356 persons earned bachelor's degrees, and 23 were awarded master's degrees. Eighty-

two earned associate (2-year) degrees. Requirements for completing 1-year certificate programs have been fulfilled by 13. Sixteen have earned vocational diplomas.

Nunn was awarded a bachelor of science in conservation.

She is the daughter of Melvin "Pat" and Nancy Nunn.

### Money available for home improvement grants, subsidized loans

Most homeowners are unaware that regardless of their income there are federal, state and local programs that will help them repair or remodel their homes.

Government at all levels recognizes that neighborhoods are the basis of life in our country. When a neighborhood deteriorates, many things happen both physically and socially. When the homes look shabby, a neighborhood seems more attractive to crime and criminals. An area in decline is like a spreading cancer. As homes become shabby looking and in need of maintenance, the residents lose their desire to keep up the neighborhood. Streets become receptacles for trash, schools lower their standards and very quickly, the selling price of homes in the area drops sharply. This accelerates the cycle of degeneration.

In order to keep and maintain the nation's housing and neighborhoods, government at all levels have programs to give homeowners money (that does not have to be repaid) for repairs or to lend them money at below market levels or at no interest. In many areas utility companies will either do energy conservation work free or at low cost and in other places will lend homeowners money at no interest, to pay the contractor of their choice for the necessary work. In addition there are tax incentives to promote efficient energy use.

These programs are not restricted to low-income people, slum areas or urban neighborhoods. Owners of single or multi-family dwellings are eligible. While the grants do not have to be repaid, most of the loans offer low or no-interest, long terms and low payments.

Some of the other home improvements covered under these programs are: Attic and wall insulation, new windows, outerwall siding, security doors, and locks, window guards, sidewalks and masonry work, bathrooms and kitchens, electrical and plumbing, new roofs, gutters, and downspouts.

Consumer Education Research Center (CERC), a national non-profit consumer group formed in 1969, has just published the 208 large-page, 1994 edition of *Consumers Guide to Home Repair Grants and Subsidized Loans* (\$16.95 plus \$3 postage and handling from CERC Grants, 350 Scotland Road, Orange, NJ 07050 or 800-872-0121) which lists over 7,000 sources of loan and grant programs offered by federal, state and local government, utility companies and others; typical programs offered and the how to qualify. Form letters for inquiries to these loan and grant sources are included as well as detailed instructions

on determining your debt-to-income ratio for eligibility.

Robert L. Berko, executive director of CERC, said, "Some programs have no income ceiling and others allow income of as much as \$50,000 per year or more. There are even programs for which tenants are eligible and many allow loans to poor credit risks. In many areas, people with disabilities can receive grants to pay for needed repairs such as access ramps and widening of doorways."

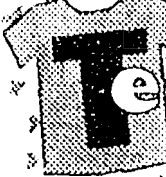
Since it is important that the work be done properly, the book includes a section describing the rough cost of the cost of many jobs, as well as advice on picking a contractor, negotiating a contract, and insuring that the work is done properly and for a fair price. To help with communication between the contractor, lawyer, or lender, the book includes a dictionary of terms used by these professionals.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Reader enjoys 'life stories'

To the editor:

Just wanted to complement the Avalanche on the continuing series of "life stories." Through this series, we are able to learn about the many who shaped Grayling into the great community it is.

I think it's important to record these short snapshots, and hope you plan to keep them coming.

They should be made available

through the museum (as well as the Avalanche office) so friends and relatives can refer back to them in future years.

Meanwhile, I'll keep reading and looking for others I know or have known.

Again, thanks for the great series.

Tom Welsh II  
Bridgeport

## TALL TIMBER TALES

By Mark Stormzand

### Tree Free

Be good to yourself and the environment. That sounds like good advice, in fact, grand advice. So why, then, did I feel so agitated when I read it? I was grumbling as I wandered off down the aisle. Because I knew it was just one more education problem I would have to face as a forester. Here I was, on a Sunday afternoon doing some grocery shopping with my daughter, Anna, and this product jumped off the shelf and hit me square on the noggin. "Tree-Free," it said with little pine trees in the background, and below that it read "paper napkins." I admit, as a forester, the only thing I know about marketing is you should tell the truth about your product. If that is true, how in the world could this company make paper napkins and call them tree-free? I was sure I knew the answer. They used recycled paper, but where did they bloody well think the recycled paper came from? That recycled paper came from only one possible source, "trees," our nation's most important renewable natural resource.

To confirm my suspicions, I asked my daughter to go back and grab the package of napkins. When she returned, Anna handed me the package and said quietly, "Dad, please don't embarrass me."

"Embarrass you? When was the last time I did that?" I asked with a slight grin.

"How about last week, when you pulled up to the traffic light singing to the radio at the top of your lungs and you stuck your head out the window. Or when my friend called, you sang the Canadian National Anthem," she replied.

"So what's your point?" I asked. "Just don't read so loud!" she begged.

I assured her I would behave, but the way I figure it, you have to be one up on the one's seventh grade daughter.

I flipped the package of napkins over so I could read the information about the product. "Ah ha! There it is. This product is made of 100 percent recycled paper," I shouted.

Anna looked at me with despair and said, "What is wrong with that? Isn't that good?"

"Of course, that's good. In fact it is highly commendable. But, they are misleading the consumer," I stated.

"By saying this product is 'tree-free,' the consumer assumes we don't need to harvest any trees to make this product. Also, people will get the impression we don't need to harvest any trees for the many forest products we use every day. Paper cannot be recycled indefinitely. As paper is successively recycled, the cellulose fibers are weakened and shortened, eventually making it no longer recyclable. That means you still need a continuous supply of fresh raw materials, trees, to mix in. Saying these napkins are tree-free is like saying skim milk is cow-free."

As Anna and I continued our shopping, I realized I might be sending her the wrong message about recycling. Rounding the next corner I began to explain to her how committed the forest industry is to recycling, when I cut the corner a tad short and ran into a display of nicely stacked cans of "Pringles." The cans of "Pringles" went flying in all directions and Anna turned an interesting shade of red.

"Dad, please, you said you would not embarrass me!" she pleaded.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

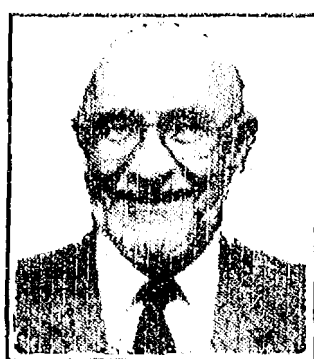
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## ALMANACK By Richard Milliman

### Pay raises: Bad timing, bad issue

THE 1994 ELECTION is over, and tight-fisted governance carried the day, providing a shakeup in the national and state political pictures.

So what's going on here?

Michigan's Gov. John Engler is lionized nationally as one tough cookie, who's stingy with a taxpayer dollar as anyone around. That's one of the reasons he won reelection by a huge margin.

But now that the poll books are closed and were stowed away for a couple of years, Mr. Engler is front

and center with a 15 percent pay hike for his closest governmental sidekicks.

The argument goes that state department heads are underpaid at close to \$90,000 a year. He wants them all up over \$100,000.

The package is costed out at almost \$600,000 a year, or about \$2.5 million for the rest of Mr. Engler's term—unless, of course, these top kicks get another pay raise or two along the way.

What happened to tight-fistedness? Where went fiscal conservatism? What's going on here?

Why shouldn't a qualified careerist be paid more than a temporary?

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BUT WHAT ABOUT responsibility? Isn't the department head the one in charge? Shouldn't compensation reflect responsibility?

Well, yes...but ultimate responsibility doesn't rest with the department head, but with the governor. Mr. Engler, to his great credit, has shown willingness to step forward and take that role.

The much publicized prison break in Detroit earlier in 1994 is a case in point. Closing Lafayette Clinic is another. The department head has responsibility, but only an intermediary one. The final responsibility is the governor's.

It also has been argued that higher pay is needed to attract top administrators. But will \$100,000 buy a better public servant than \$90,000? Not likely. At that level, the desire to serve should be a determinant, and in most cases it is.

If the need for higher pay exists, it should have been debated during the recent campaign for governor, not after the votes are in. It would not have affected the outcome, but it would have been fairer to the voter...and taxpayer.

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IS THIS A STRIKE?—Let's see now: As I understand it, the baseball

"strike" revolves around money.

The owners think they're not able to make enough profit, and want to "cap" player pay. The players want to protect their earning abilities. But consider these recent news items:

—The Texas Rangers shell out \$6 million to pitcher Kevin Gross for a 2-year contract. Mr. Gross won nine games last year.

—The Los Angeles Dodgers agree to pay Delino DeShields \$3 million to play next year. That's a raise of \$300,000. He hit .250 last year with two home runs.

—The Philadelphia Phillies agree to pay Gregg Jefferies \$20 million over the next four years as an outfielder. He has great offensive numbers, but has never played outfield.

Other similar big dollar examples abound.

Am I missing something? Are the two sides really serious about this strike business? Is money important to the owners at all? Are the players really holding out for some principle?

What's going on here?

This isn't a strike. You can call it whatever you like—fiasco, disagreement, negotiation, strong-arm tactics, whatever.

But it's not a strike.

To call it a strike dishonors America's labor movement, especially the pioneers, right here in Michigan, who fought for some real principles.

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Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

AN ARGUMENT CAN be made—and is being used to the hilt—that some department heads actually are paid less than their top aides, who are covered by civil service, and that can't be tolerated.

But an argument also can be made—and isn't being used at all, as far as I can tell—that most of these civil service pros have been in their jobs for many years, and most of them probably know more about how to run the department than the boss, who is appointed by the governor and serves at his pleasure.

Although an underling, the civil service executive probably has been around for years, and likely will be around for many more. The department head is temporary, won appointment through the political process, and likely will be gone when the governor is gone, or possibly sooner.



## LET'S TALK ABOUT IT By Joe Murphy

the question of how we can pay for it. More and more taxes is not the solution, it is the problem. When we the common people want something, we have to save or arrange for financing in order to pay for it. Politicians should do the same, when they introduce a program, they should be able to show just where the money will come from to finance it.

I hope everyone had a nice Christmas and that the new year will be one of peace and prosperity.

In this, the Christmas season, I am amazed at how easily those memories of my childhood Christmases come to mind. One of my first memories is trying to get Mom and Dad to leave the door open on our old Round Oak heating stove so Santa could get out to bring in presents. I just could not see how he could open that latched door from the inside. When I was four, they had to take down my Christmas tree,

because my Grandmother Murphy had been killed in an accident in Detroit and her casket took up the space where my tree had been. Her body was coming in on the morning train at 6 o'clock. The undertaker and my Dad were waiting to pick up her body and bring it to the house. Mom and I were watching for the train. When it came, it went sailing through town, and Dad and the undertaker had to chase the train to Gaylord to get her body. I was

only four at the time, but I can remember that morning like it was yesterday. Grandma had bought a little book *The Night Before Christmas* for me before she was killed. Even today, I can remember the illustrations and feel of that book as if I had it in my hands. How I wish I had kept it, so I could see it again. But like so many things that would be priceless to me now, it went into the junk.

## DOODLES FROM THE TALL TIMBER

By Wendell L. Hoover, Park Interpreter

The following article was actually written, according to my notes, on March 14, 1994, but it is still appropriate.

Last week a school group came to the park for a guided tour and since it was downright cool, I went to the logging camp to build a fire in the

bunkhouse. It was early, daylight to be sure, but the sun was not above the trees yet, and darkness still lingered where the timber was thick, as if it were reluctant to go. With a fire crackling merrily in the stove, I started back to the visitor center to meet the group that would be arriving shortly.

Tracks in the snow were indicative of wildlife activity and flashes of gray and white assured me the deer were moving to seek the few areas bare of snow. When I stopped to count those glimpses, I became aware that where I stood was like the hub of a spoked wheel, with lanes extending away in shadowed corridors framed by the trunks of hemlock and pine. They were not endless in length, but they were inviting in a mysterious sort of way. Various animals had used them and I wondered about destinations. An out of place line and a curve, looked suspiciously like a deer's back and ear, but time was pressing, so there was not time to investigate.

The Tall Timber is such a special place. Come, walk its shadowed tree lined corridors and experience its mysteries and moods for yourself.

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# Local money provides American Cancer Society services

The local chapter of the American Cancer Society received the Gold Award for fundraising for the 1993-94 fiscal year.

The Gold Award was presented by the Michigan Division of the American Cancer Society at an awards luncheon on Tuesday, Dec. 13. The Gold Award recognizes a 12 percent increase of income over the previous year. This is the third year in a row that the local chapter has received a high award for their increasing income from fundraising.

For 1992-93 and 1991-92 the local chapter of the American Cancer Society received the Diamond Award, which recognizes an increase of 20 percent over the previous year.

The American Cancer Society is more than two million people working together to fight cancer. The ACS's programs of research, education, and rehabilitation help save lives and improve the quality of life of cancer patients and their families.

Without the time, energy and skills of the ACS volunteers, many services would not be available.

The ACS began in 1913. Only one cancer patient in five could hope to live.

Today, about one out of two people who get cancer will survive to live a normal life, and those odds could be even better. The ACS shows people what they can do on their own to help protect themselves against cancer.

The ACS is the largest nongovernment sponsor of cancer research in the United States. Since 1946, the ACS has spent more than \$1.4 billion to find ways to prevent, detect and treat cancer. The cancer researchers who obtain ACS grants are among the best in the country. Twenty-five have won the Nobel Prize, seven of them since 1986.

In the 1993-94 fiscal year, the local chapter of the American Cancer Society raised \$31,066.58. The money helps support several local services including the following:

Reach to Recovery is a patient visitation program for breast cancer patients by trained volunteers. This program provides information and

support to patients, and often, lifelong friendships.

Mileage reimbursement is a service intended for indigent patients. The service reimburses patients a maximum of \$125 per patient for their

mileage to and from treatment.

The local chapter of the American Cancer Society also loans items such as beds, wheel chairs, walkers and other health care items to area residents. For more information contact

Charlie Gierke at 348-2128.

Feeling good about yourself is important to help speed recovery. The Look Good, Feel Better Program is important to cancer patients undergoing treatment who may suffer hair loss

and skin problems as a result. A Cut Above in Grayling, has certified cosmetologists that can guide and assist cancer patients receiving treatment with cosmetic needs such as skin care, hair style and care, and wig styling and care. The first hour is free. Contact A Cut Above at 348-2128.

In connection with the Look Good, Feel Better Program, wigs in usable condition are being collected at A Cut Above for cancer patients undergoing treatment.

For children with cancer, Camp Catch A Rainbow in Montague, Mich. offers them a chance to relax for one week free of charge. For more information call 1-800-723-0360.

For cancer patients having problems affording prescription drugs, the medically indigent drug assistance program is very helpful. To receive a listing of drugs that are available free to indigent patients through various pharmaceutical companies, call Rhea Gierke at 348-9444.

If you have any questions about cancer, there is a toll free number available to help you find the answers. Call the Cancer Response System at 1-800-ACS-2345.

Questions about other resource information can be directed to Marlene Lippard at 348-4907.

## Local Chapter of American Cancer Society receives Gold Award



President of the Crawford County Unit of the American Cancer Society, Jody Harland accepts the Gold Award for fundraising from Rod Budnik, senior executive director of the American Cancer Society from Lansing.

The presentation was at an awards luncheon at the Grayling Holiday Inn on Tuesday, Dec. 13. Board members of the local chapter of ACS attended the luncheon. Pictured at left are (l to r) Joyce Sorenson, Charlie Gierke, Shirley Rauch, Rhea Gierke, Norma Secord, Jody Harland, Crystal Filley, Laurine Kraus, Rod Budnik, Cindy Olson and Marlene Lippard.

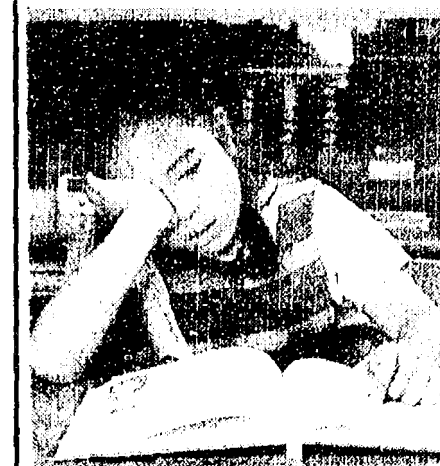


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## HEALTHLINE

Linda DeMarchis, M.A., Health Educator

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**Question:** Our family's New Year's Resolutions this year include reducing fat in our diet. Any suggestions?

**Answer:** Most American families eat too much fat and probably don't even realize it. Does this sound like your family?

- Your salads are coated with salad dressing.
- The meat is served with gravy.
- Many of your foods are fried.
- Butter or margarine is on the table every meal.
- You like pizza with extra cheese.
- The children eat sausage and hot dogs more than once a week.
- Ice cream is the usual dessert.
- Your favorite family restaurant specializes in hamburgers and fries.
- Breakfast is typically eggs, bacon and hash browns.

• You frequently cook red meat for dinner and never remove the skin from chicken.

If this portrays a picture of your family's daily eating habits, you probably are consuming too much fat and cutting down on fats in the diet would be a great way to start the new year.

Changing your diet, (next to stopping smoking and wearing your seat belts) could be the best thing you do for your health. High fat eating can cause you to gain weight, as well as make you more likely to develop certain health problems such as high blood pressure, heart disease, cancer and diabetes.

Could you possibly eat too little fat? Most experts believe this is almost impossible for Americans, unless you are a child under two (children under two should never be put on low-fat diets).

Eating a low-fat diet is simply following a few general guidelines in the main areas.

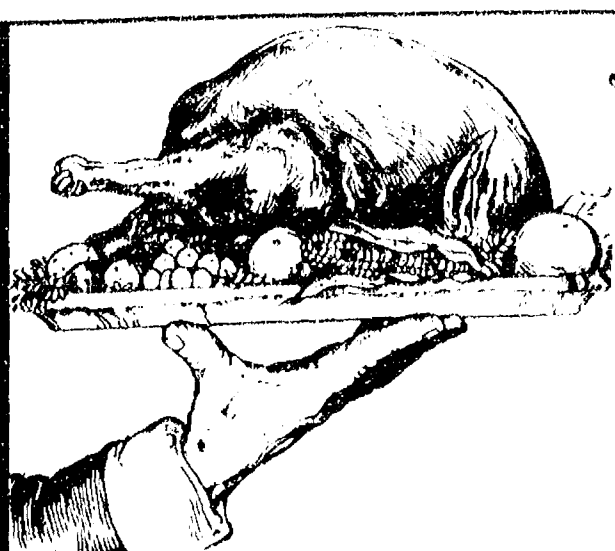
• Shopping--Begin low-fat grocery shopping. Buy lots of fruits and vegetables, enough so that each family member can have at least five servings per day. Also, increase the amount of breads, cereals and pastas you normally purchase. In the meat section, select low-fat meats, such as beef sirloin tip,

pork tenderloin, white meat of poultry and fish. Buy only low-fat or no-fat dairy products. Instead of ice cream, choose frozen juice bars or no fat frozen yogurt.

• Cooking--Roast, bake, or grill meat instead of frying. Steam or microwave vegetables. Use cooking spray instead of oil or margarine. Change recipes to reduce fat with low-fat substitutes. Season with herbs instead of butter.

• Eating--Use low-fat salad dressings and stay away from croutons and bacon bits. Substitute mustard for mayonnaise on a sandwich. Order pizza with vegetable toppings and light cheese instead of sausage, pepperoni, and extra cheese. Eat baked potatoes instead of french fries and remove skin from chicken before eating. Select a bagel or toast and jam instead of a donut for breakfast.

These are only general guidelines to help reduce fat in the diet, but they should make a difference. Calculating fat percentages in foods and reading food labels can be even more beneficial. However, making even a few changes, could place your family well on the way to healthier eating and feeling their best.



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FRI. 30	• THINK SNOW!!
SAT. 31	• NEW YEAR'S EVE. • A NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE & communion will be offered at the Grayling Assembly of God Church, 9 pm.
<b>JANUARY 1995</b>	
SUN. 1	• HAPPY NEW YEAR! • ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice.
MON. 2	• FRESH BBB VS. KALKASKA, away, 7 pm.
TUES. 3	• SCHOOL REOPENS. • ADULT ED REGISTRATION @ ALC- 9-5, HS- 5-9 thru 13th. • BBB VS. BOYNE CITY, home, 6 pm. • SOCIAL SECURITY REPRESENTATIVE @ County Building, 10:30 am - 2 pm. • GRAYLING PROMOTIONAL ASSOCIATION luncheon meeting @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon. • GRAYLING UPTOWN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION breakfast meeting @ 8 am, @ Stevens Family Circle.
WED. 4	• AMERICAN RED CROSS bloodmobile @ American Legion, 12 noon - 6 pm. • VB VS. HOUGHTON LAKE, away, 6 pm. • MS BBB VS. ROSCOMMON, 7th away, 8th home, 6 pm. • FRESH BBB VS. ROSCOMMON, away, 7 pm. • WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, weigh-in 4:45; meeting 5:30 pm. For more information call Sandy @ 348-5321. • ROTARY LUNCHEON meeting @ Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel, 12 noon. • COA Phyllis Brummer will be on hand 9-11:30 am to help seniors with Medicare & Medicaid problems, or call 348-7123.

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# My New Year's resolution in 1995 for my community is.....

"I'd like all of the county to work together -- businesses, people, commissioners, the school board -- to solve some of the conflicts."

-- Tracie Compton,  
Crawford County Librarian

"I would like to see this community resolve to focus on the strengths of its individuals and its resources."

-- Kent Reynolds,  
superintendent of Crawford AuSable schools

"I would hope there will be more cooperation and concentration on the issues by our elected officials. I hope they will work together. Camp Grayling would like to work closer with the community on any of our operations."

-- Col. Joe LaGrow,  
commander, Camp Grayling

"Crawford County to decide how it wants to change rather than letting it just happen. Use our resources properly instead of being run over. This area is prime for an explosion of economic development. The master plan is a great idea."

-- Allen Lowe,  
105th district state representative

"I would like the county to resolve to take a year off from any road construction."

-- Kim McClain,  
sales representative, ReMax Real Estate Co.

"Millages to pass -- the community to grow -- everybody to work together for one common goal. Everybody work for a goal for Crawford County and not just for the individual."

-- Donna Masker,  
branch manager, Old Kent Bank

"Community to really stand up and support the school system. It's very important to the community. That's utmost in my mind. A professional master plan is very important."

-- John Alef,  
vice president, GSB

"Rededicate ourselves to a renewed spirit of cooperation. We need to listen better and get along. There are positive things happening like the master plan, if we can remember we're on the same team."

-- George Stancil,  
co-owner, representative, Cornell Insurance Co.



**HANDBELL CHOIR PERFORMS FOR MERCY AUXILIARY**--Performing beautiful music for the Auxiliary's party, following the tree lighting ceremony, were members of the Michelson Memorial Church Handbell Choir.



**MERCY AUXILIARY DONATES TO MERCY MANOR**--Accepting a check in the amount of \$10,000 from auxiliary treasurer Rita Sarraut is Dennis Renander, Mercy CEO. Over \$7,200 was donated in memory and tribute to loved ones on the Lights of Love Tree, sponsored by the Mercy Hospital Auxiliary. Proceeds will be used for a new nurse call system at Mercy Manor.



**FREDERIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHOIR**--Children from the Frederic Elementary School Choir, under the direction of Donna Hughes, sang Christmas carols during the Mercy Hospital Lights of Love ceremony, held Dec. 9.

## DNR invited to speak to planning commission

The Crawford County Planning Commission has invited Dan Pearson from the Department of Natural Resources Land and Water Management Division, to give a presentation on the Natural Rivers program and the current efforts to protect the Manistee River system.

The presentation will be during the regular meeting of the planning commission on Wednesday, Jan. 4 at 7 p.m. in the county courthouse building.

The purpose of the presentation is to generate communication with the appropriate parties and to encourage public participation during the study process. The study process is expected to take up to two years for completion.

## Child safety seats recalled

The Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning is alerting parents that two child safety seats are being investigated for safety defects by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) -- the Fisher Price model 9173 infant seat and the Gerry SecureLock model 690.

The Gerry SecureLock Model 690, produced by Gerry Baby Products had a formal defect investigation opened after the company refused NHTSA's request to conduct a safety recall. The safety seat has a problem with the seat buckle that restrains the child. Owners have complained of seats that were believed to be latched correctly, that have opened unexpectedly. Due to these problems, 11 injured children have been reported. NHTSA suggests that parents make sure that the buckle is latched properly by listening for the click and tugging hard on the buckle after the child is buckled up. Owners of the safety seat should call the Auto Safety Hotline at 800-424-9393 if they experience any problems.

The Fisher Price Model 9173, production dates Sept. 1 through Oct. 31, 1994, has been recalled. The air bag warning label on the Fisher Price 9173 was placed on the wrong side of the child restraint. The label should be placed so that it is visible to the person installing the rear-facing safety seat in the front passenger seat. To correct the problem, contact Fisher Price at 1-800-432-5437 and a new label will be sent with instructions on how to place it correctly.

## Happy New Year

### Luck around the world Global good luck traditions

With New Year's upon us, here's a look at some of the good luck rituals from around the world. They are believed to bring good fortune and prosperity in the coming year.

Austria	The suckling pig is the symbol for good luck for the new year. It's served on a table decorated with tiny edible pigs. Dessert often consist of green peppermint ice cream in the shape of a 4-leaf clover.
England	The British place their fortunes for the coming year in the hands of their first guest. They believe the first visitor of each year should be male and bearing gifts. Traditional gifts are coal for the fire, a loaf for the table and a drink for the master. For good luck, the guest should enter through the front door and leave through the back. Guests who are empty-handed or unwanted are not allowed to enter first. At the first toll of midnight, the back door is opened and then shut to release the old year and lock out all of its bad luck. Then at the twelfth stroke of the clock, the front door is opened and the New Year is welcomed with all of its luck.
Wales	In Haiti, New Year's Day is a sign of the year to come. Haitians wear new clothing and exchange gifts in the hope that it will bode well for the new year.
Haiti	An old Sicilian tradition says good luck will come to those who eat lasagna on New Year's Day, but woe if you dine on macaroni, for any other noodle will bring bad luck.
Sicily	In Spain, when the clock strikes midnight, the Spanish eat 12 grapes, one with every toll, to bring good luck for the 12 months ahead.
Spain	A special New Year's bread is baked with a coin buried in the dough. The first slice is for the Christ child, the second for the father of the household, and the third slice is for the house. If the third slice holds the coin, spring will come early that year.
Greece	The Japanese decorate their homes in tribute to lucky gods. One tradition, kadomatsu, consists of a pine branch symbolizing longevity, a bamboo stalk symbolizing prosperity, and a plum blossom showing nobility.
Japan	The Peruvian New Year's custom is a spin on the Spanish tradition of eating 12 grapes at the turn of the year. But in Peru, a 13th grape must be eaten to assure good luck.
Peru	For the Chinese New Year, every front door is adorned with a fresh coat of red paint, red being a symbol of good luck and happiness. Although the whole family prepares a feast for the New Year, all knives are put away for 24 hours to keep anyone from cutting themselves, which is thought to cut the family's good luck for the next year.
China	The kiss shared at the stroke of midnight in the United States is derived from masked balls that have been common throughout history. As tradition has it, the masks symbolize evil spirits from the old year and the kiss is the purification into the new year.
United States	Norwegians make rice pudding at New Year's and hide one whole almond within. Guaranteed wealth goes to the person whose serving holds the lucky almond.
Norway	

## Kirtland announces 'Controlled Burn' reading series

Kirtland Community College (KCC) has announced the *Controlled Burn* Reading Series schedule for Winter 1995 at Kirtland. This semester's series continues Kirtland's tradition of bringing diverse, literary voices to northern Michigan, at Kirtland's Continuing Education Center on College Drive.

On Wednesday, Feb. 8, at 7:30 p.m. Trinidadian native Brenda Flanagan will be reading from her work. Flanagan is the author of a novel, *You Alone Are Dancing*, and has published poems, plays, and short stories in many magazines. She won the University of Michigan's Hopwood Award for creative writers, as well as grants from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Michigan Council for the Arts. Her work is renowned for its ability to capture West Indian life and rhythm and mixing it with American eyes.

On Thursday, March 2, at 7:30 p.m. detective novelist and literary short fiction writer John Smolens will be appearing at Kirtland. Smolens is the author of two novels -- *Winter by Degrees* and *Angel Head* -- and numerous short stories. Winner of numerous awards and acclaim, Smolens' work examines some of the darker and starker aspects of life through to redemptive endings. Originally from the Boston area, he currently teaches literature and writing at Michigan State University.

On Wednesday, April 5, at 7:30 p.m., Michigan poet Jack Ridl will read from his latest collection of poetry, *Poems from the Same Ghost and Between*, which collects poems from his earlier books. A former basketball coach, Ridl's poems deal with sports, family life, and the world around him. He's been the recipient of numerous awards including awards from the Michigan Council for the Arts, and his work has been greatly anthologized and published in magazines.

All of the readings in this series are made possible, in part, by *Poets & Writers, Inc.* through a generous grant they receive from the Lila Wallace-Reader's Digest Fund, as well as by the Kirtland Community College Division of Language Arts and Communication.

## PUBLIC NOTICE ROAD COMMISSION 1995 BUDGET HEARING

11 A.M. Friday, December 30, 1994

At: Road Commission Board Room  
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Board of County Road Commissioners  
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**AUTOGRAPHING BOOKS**--Gloria Whelan takes time to autograph books as Frederic Elementary School students Jesselyn Arwood and John Baker look on.



**AUTHOR TALKS TO STUDENTS**--Fourth grade students from Frederic Elementary School enjoy a chance to hear Gloria Whelan, a Michigan author, when she recently visited the Crawford AuSable School District.

## Heartsaver course offered at Mercy Hospital

A community CPR Heartsaver class will be offered at Grayling Mercy Hospital on Monday, Jan. 9, from 6 to 10 p.m., in the Riverside Room.

Participants may choose between learning both adult and child CPR, or adult and child only, from the American Heart Association course. Cost varies depending on the courses selected: \$15 for both, or \$10 for adult and child classes individually. The fee includes course materials and a 2-year certification upon completion of the class.

Pre-registration is required by calling the Mercy Healthline nurse at 1-800-33-MERCY.

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# M.S.U. EXTENSION NEWS

By Elizabeth McMillin, Family Nutrition Education Program Coordinator, Crawford County MSU Extension

## Don't go on a diet this year

This year, resolve not to go on a diet. If you feel you need to lose weight and are about to make the diet resolution again this year, take time out right now to think about dieting and why it almost always ends up in disappointment.

About 34 percent of the adult population in the country is estimated to be obese.

At any give time in the United States between 33 and 40 percent of adult women and 20 and 24 percent of adult men are actively dieting.

Americans spend an estimate \$30 billion a year on all types of diet programs and products.

For the majority of individuals, dieting is followed by weight gain. Typically a person gains two-thirds of the weight lost during dieting within one year of ending a diet and almost all weight lost within five years of ending a diet.

With these facts in mind, you need consciously to resolve not to "go on" a diet. That language implies that you

will "go off" the diet eventually. Instead, this year make a resolution to improve your current diet and get moving. Here are some tips:

1. Are you eating at least five servings of fruits and vegetables each day? Increasing fruit and vegetable intake will increase your consumption of fiber and other substances that may help reduce the risk of heart disease and some forms of cancer. People who eat plenty of fruits and vegetables have also been shown to consume less fat.

2. Try to reduce your intake of fats and oils. The new food labels suggest having 65 grams of fat or less each day, based on a 2,000-calorie diet. If you eat fewer calories daily, fat intake should be lower. Compare different brands of similar products to find lower fat alternatives.

3. Change what's on your plate. Reduce your meat portions to not more than five to seven ounces each day. Smaller portions of lean meat will

help reduce your intake of fats and cholesterol. Fill your plate with whole grain breads, rice, pasta and other grains, in addition to plenty of fruits and vegetables.

4. Eat at least three meals a day. Breakfast skippers don't maintain their weight as well as breakfast eaters.

5. Think about what you drink. Alcohol provides about 10 percent of calories for adults. Reducing or eliminating alcoholic beverages may be one change that can go a long way toward managing your weight.

6. Build regular exercise into your day. Go for a walk before breakfast or before dinner. According to some studies, walking vigorously two miles each day can be at least as helpful as aerobic dancing or jogging and is less likely to lead to injuries.

7. Think long-term. Start with one of these suggestions and don't add another until you feel you have incorporated the first suggestion into your life.

## Love

"Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. 38 This is the first and great commandment. 39 And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself." (Mat 22:37-39) We are told how to love God in Romans 12:1, 2: "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. 2. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." If I love God I must turn my body, mind, and will over to God. "Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him." (John

14:23) "We love him, because he first loved us." (1 John 4:19) "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Rom. 5:8)

But how are we to love our neighbor? Like Jesus did. "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another, as I have loved you, that ye also love one another." (John 13:34) "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." (John 15:13) Does our neighbor include only our friends? "But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you." (Mat 5:44)

We owe every human the gospel. "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." (Mark 16:15) We owe each disciple the words of God: "He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said

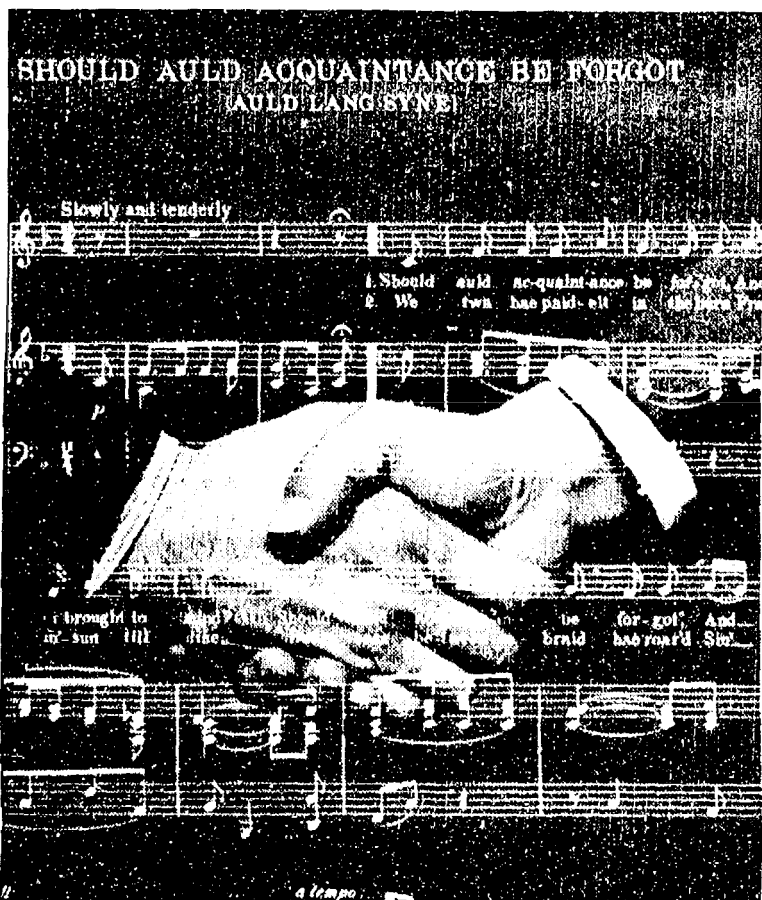
unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep." (John 21:17)

"By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments." (1 John 5:2) "He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love." (1 John 4:8) "If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?" (1 John 4:20) We must love the souls of all people, while hating the sin and evil which enslaves them. (Rom 12:9) Love and law are both from God.

Pastor "B"

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## Church Directory



## Precious Time

When the old year ends, 365 days will have passed. As the new year begins, it will bring with it another measure of equal time...365 days more. We begin to speak of the old year as "last year"; the new year as "this year."

Last year may have been a happy one or a sad one. Looking back, there may have been happy moments, ones of joy, shared with others—a birth, wedding, an anniversary.

During the past year some have experienced difficulties, pain and sorrow—a serious health problem, a betrayal of trust, a heart breaking bereavement, a friend in trouble.

This year, shape the future by what you have learned from the past, its good along with its bad, live well and do better. Spend your time so that it blesses you and the others around you.

The time God has allotted us on this earth is indeed most precious.

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Pastor Dale Hammond  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
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Evening Worship .....6 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study .....7 p.m.

**Christian Science Society**  
209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord  
Sunday Service .....10:30 a.m.  
April through October  
2nd Wednesday .....8 p.m.

**Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church**  
Pastor Doug Paterson  
400 Michigan Ave.  
Sunday Worship .....8:30 & 11 a.m.  
Sunday School .....9:30-10:30 a.m.  
Coffee Fellowship .....10:30-11 a.m.  
Bible Study (Wed.) .....10 a.m.

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
Pastor David Stramel  
Phone 348-4445  
Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable in 1st building on the right off new entrance road.  
Church Service .....9:30 a.m.  
Sabbath School .....10:30 a.m.  
Prayer Meeting Tues .....7 p.m.

**Grayling Assembly of God**  
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor  
Old 27 North, 701 Grayling Rd.  
Church - 348-8885  
Parsonage 348-2588  
Sunday School .....10 a.m.  
Morning Worship .....11 a.m.  
Evening Service .....6 p.m.  
Wednesday - Family Night  
Adult-Youth-Children Sessions 7 p.m.

**Christian Science Society**  
Zone 11, 106 James St. - Houghton Lake  
Sunday Ser. & Sunday School 11 a.m.  
1st Wednesday (April-Oct.) 7:30 p.m.

**Heritage Baptist**  
Pastor Jim Van Lier 348-7699  
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.  
1/4 mile west of I-75  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship .....11 a.m.  
Evening Worship .....6 p.m.  
Wednesday .....7 p.m.

**St. John Evangelical Lutheran (ELCA)**  
Pastor Joe Trester  
710 Spruce St. - Phone 348-5224  
Bible Study .....9:15 a.m.  
Sunday Worship .....10:30 a.m.  
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**Reorganized Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints**  
Pastor Lacey Stephan, Jr.  
Corner of North Down River Rd. and South Millikin Rd.  
Church School .....9:45 a.m.  
Preaching .....11 a.m.  
Midweek Service Prayer .....7 p.m.

**Gaylord Christian Reformed**  
Rev. V. Schaap  
415 Ohio North  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship .....11 a.m.  
Evening Service .....6 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study .....7:30 p.m.

**St. Mary's Catholic Church**  
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Sunday .....9 & 11 a.m.  
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Tuesday .....8 a.m.  
Wednesday .....10 a.m.  
Thursday .....8 a.m.  
Friday .....8 a.m.  
Confession Saturday .....4 p.m.

**Calvary Assembly of God**  
Rev. Lawrence Cook  
250 Lake St. - Roscommon  
275-5309  
Sunday School .....9:45  
Morning Worship .....11 a.m.  
Evening Service .....6 p.m.  
Wednesday Family Night .....7 p.m.

**Lovells Chapel**  
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Sunday School .....10 a.m.  
Chapel Service .....11 a.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Meeting .....7-8 p.m.

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
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Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service .....10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship .....6 p.m.  
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Prayer & Awana Club (Wed) ...7 p.m.

**Church of Christ**  
Gordon French Minister  
Old US 27 at Skyline Rd.  
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Sunday School .....10:15 a.m.  
Communion & Preaching .....11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening .....6 p.m.  
Wednesday  
Mid-week Bible Study .....7 p.m.

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Sunday School .....9 a.m.  
Sunday Service .....10 a.m.

**The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message**  
Pastor Dohn E. Weaver  
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Sunday Worship .....10 a.m.  
Sunday Worship .....7 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service .....7 p.m.

**Abundant Life Tabernacle**  
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Sunday Morning .....10 a.m.  
Sunday Worship .....11 a.m.  
Sunday Night .....6 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening .....7 p.m.

**Grayling Baptist Church**  
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Pastor Terry Colby  
Meeting at 501 Michigan Avenue (S17) 348-2557  
Sunday Bible Study .....9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship .....11 a.m.  
Evening Worship .....6:45 p.m.  
Wednesday Services .....7 p.m.

**AuSable Valley Church Of God**  
6330 Johnson - Frederic  
Sunday School .....10:15 a.m.  
Morning Worship .....11 a.m.  
Evening Services .....7 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Service .....7 p.m.  
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**Free Methodist**  
Joseph Carpenter - Pastor  
6652 W. Kalkaska Rd.  
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Sunday School .....10 a.m.  
Morning Service .....11 a.m.  
Evening Service .....6 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) ....7 p.m.

**Mt. Hope Evangelical Lutheran - Missouri Synod**  
Rev. Paul Boerger, Pastor  
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Sunday School Bible Class .....9 a.m.  
Sunday Worship .....10:30 a.m.

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Sunday nursery provided ....10:30 a.m.  
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Services held at the Roscommon Community Center, Sunday nights at 6:30 p.m., 510 South St., Roscommon, MI.

**Luzerne Baptist**  
Pastor James Duffee  
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Sunday Morning Worship .....11 a.m.  
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## OBITUARIES

### Matilda Paulson

Matilda "Tillie" Cook Paulson, 94, of Grayling, died Saturday, Dec. 24, 1994, at Mercy Manor, Grayling. A memorial service will be held Tuesday, Jan. 3, at 2 p.m., at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, with Reverend Doug Paterson. Burial of ashes will be in Elmwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Paulson was born Dec. 29, 1899, in Grayling, and had lived here until age 18. She then lived in Detroit and Saginaw, and returned to Grayling in 1965. She attended Ashland Business School in Saginaw.

Mrs. Paulson was a volunteer in the remedial reading program at Grayling Elementary School for 15 years, and had worked as a receptionist and a secretary.

Mrs. Paulson was preceded in death by her husband of 61 years, Robert F. Paulson, Sr., on Dec. 10, 1985; sister, Margrethe Mangsen; and by her parents, John and Anne Marie (Christensen-Kajhoj) Cook.

Survivors include: daughter, Donna Visnaw of Grayling; son, Robert F. Paulson, Jr. of Grayling; sister, Helene Cook Mobray of Grayling; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Crawford County Chapter of the American Cancer Society.

### Billy Montgomery

Billy R. Montgomery, 69, of Higgins Lake, died Monday, Dec. 26, 1994, at Mercy Hospital, Grayling. No services are planned.

Mr. Montgomery was born Sept. 4, 1925, in Wanyesboro, PA, to James Howard and Mildred (Nuzum) Montgomery. He had been a resident of Higgins Lake for five years, previously living in Midland. On June 19, 1965, he married Carol E. Evans in Midland.

Mr. Montgomery served honorably in the U.S. Armed Forces, and was the former owner of the Silver Dollar Bar in Higgins Lake. He was a member of the Grayling Amvets, the American Legion, secretary of the Moose Lodge, and also a member of the N.R.A.

Survivors include: wife, Carol Montgomery; daughters, Doris and husband, Denny Bates, of Frankenthum, Wendy and husband, Mike Cox, of Saginaw, Sally and husband, Mike Gehoski, of St. Johns, and Mary Noel of Orlando, FL; sons, Edward and wife, Barbara, Kerns of Sanford, and Larry Kerns of Midland; sister, Eris Stella of Sarasota, FL; 15 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

### Card of thanks

Thank you to all our friends, neighbors and relatives for the cards, flowers, food and offers of help, and prayers, while Gus was a patient at Munson and at home.

Special thank you to his Amicare nurse and friend, Kathy Scott, who was always there, and the Amicare staff.

Niece, Maribeth Miller, who took him back and forth for his hospital visits and anything else she could do night or day. We love you! Nephew Boy Clough, always ready to help. Neighbor, Bob Winger, looked after things when Gus was in the hospital and checking on us. Brother-in-law, Snookie Akers, so many times night and day was there.

Derek McEvers, nurses at Munson Medical center, and Dr. Swalez. The Ladies Auxiliary for the beautiful luncheon. The V.F.W. and the American Legion. Thank you to father Connor.

A special thank you to Traverse Bay Regional Dialysis Center.

Our husband, father and grandpa is at peace now. God bless each and everyone of you. May God hold you safely in his arms.

Sammie, Sharon, Pat and family

### Mae Bishaw

Mae L. Bishaw, 87, of Grayling, died Sunday, Dec. 25, 1994, in Grayling. Funeral services will be held Thursday, Dec. 29, at 11 a.m., at St. Mary's Catholic Church, with Reverend Michael Conner officiating. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be her grandsons. Mrs. Bishaw was born Jan. 31, 1907, in East Jordan, and moved from there, to Grayling, 67 years ago. She was a homemaker, and was a charter member of the Mercy Hospital Auxiliary, and was also a member of R.S.V.P.

Mrs. Bishaw was preceded in death by her husband, Fred L. Bishaw, on March 8, 1979; and by her parents, Clarence and Rosa (Hawley) Valencourt.

Survivors include: daughters, Rose and husband, Michael Gleason, of Houghton Lake, Suzanne and husband, John Wilde, of San Antonio, TX, and Joanne Baker, Patricia and husband, Robert Holzman, and Sally and husband, Harold Golnick, all of Grayling; sons, Robert Bishaw of St. Paul, MN, and James and wife, Bea, Bishaw of Augusta, GA; brothers, John Valencourt of Dor, and Richard Valencourt of East Lansing; 17 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

The family suggests memorials to the Crawford County Library.

### Jack McGillis

Jack McGillis, 66, of Roscommon, died Sunday, Dec. 25, 1994, at his residence. Funeral services will be held Thursday, Dec. 29, at 11 a.m., at Steurnol & McLaren Funeral Home in Roscommon, with Rev. Lawrence Cook officiating. Burial will be in Rock Cemetery.

Mr. McGillis was born May, 19, 1928, to John James and Edith Caroline (Mead) McGillis, in South Branch Township, and lived in the area his entire life. On May 25, 1974, he was married to Mary Lou Babcock.

Mr. McGillis was a U.S. Army veteran serving in WWII and Korea. He worked as a custodian at Mercy Hospital for over 20 years, and was a member of AA.

Survivors include: wife, Mary Lou McGillis; daughters, Kelly and Jody McGillis, both at home; son, Toby McGillis at home; brother, Dallas (Mike) McGillis of Roscommon; sisters, Ila Andrus of Southgate, and Dorothy LaMarre of Roscommon; and several nieces and nephews.



Mr. and Mrs. Chad Bonamie

## Ferguson, Bonamie wed

Teresa Anne Ferguson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Ferguson of Grayling, and Chad William Bonamie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harney of Grayling, were united in marriage on Saturday, Aug. 20. The ceremony took place at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grayling, with Father Michael Conner presiding.

Maid of honor was Karen Ferguson, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Toye Sheldon, friend of the bride, and Tabitha Harney, sister of the groom. Best man was Dave Schreiber, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Jack Harney, father of the groom, and Eric Bonamie, brother of the groom.

Ushers were Monty D'Amour, uncle of the groom, and Aaron Millikin, cousin of the groom.

The one o'clock ceremony was followed by a reception at Weatherly's Country House.

After a honeymoon trip to Mackinac Island and the Upper Peninsula, the couple now reside in Grayling.

## Michigan Teen Pageant announces final deadline for applications

Pageant officials announced Saturday, Feb. 4, as the final deadline for applications to the 1995 Michigan Teen Pageant, to be staged again in Romulus, in the main ballroom of the Royce Hotel on March 18 and 19. The Michigan Teen Pageant is an official America's Perfect Teen Contest.

There is "no performing talent" requirement, all judging is on the basis of poise, personality and beauty of face and figure. Contestants compete in sportswear, poise and personality, and evening gown competition. Entrants who qualify must be between 13 and 19 years of age and never married. All girls interested in the fun, glamour, and the excitement of competing in a most prestigious teenage pageant must apply by mail, write to: Michigan Teen Pageant, Regional Headquarters, Dept. FN, 347

Locust Avenue, Washington, PA 15301-3399, by Feb. 4. Letters must include a recent snapshot, a brief biography, address and a phone number.

Along with her expense paid trip to the 14th annual national "America's Perfect Teen" Pageant this fall in Myrtle Beach, SC, the state winner will receive a \$1,000 cash scholarship, among her many prizes and awards.

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12/22	47	23		4"
12/23	48	19		2"
12/24	37	19		1"
12/25	47	31		1"
12/26	41	24		1"
12/27	47	17		0"

Extended forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Houghton Lake: On Wednesday it will become mostly sunny, with the highs in the low to mid 40s. Thursday will be dry. The highs will be in the mid 30s to near 40, with the lows in the mid 20s to the low 30s. There is a chance of snow for both Friday and Saturday. Friday's highs will be in the low 30s, with the lows in the upper 20s, and Saturday's highs will be in the mid 20s, with the lows in the teens.

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## YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

By Charles Tinsley, Cadillac Social Security Representative

### End-of-year reminders from Social Security

Do you have a child age one or older who doesn't have a Social Security number? Have you changed your name this year (through marriage, divorce, or any other reason)? Are you receiving Social Security benefits and you've moved this year? Did you work this year while receiving Social Security benefits and earned more than the annual earnings limit?

If you answer yes to any of these questions, you should be talking to Social Security as soon as possible. If you are now receiving benefits, failure to report these changes may affect the amount of your benefit or whether you receive them on time. If you are not receiving benefits, failure to report them may affect the amount of your future benefits.

#### Check Social Security numbers on tax returns

The law requires you to list a Social Security number on your tax return for all dependents over age one. Also, for the first time, the IRS will be delaying returns that have incorrect Social Security numbers until they are

corrected. So you should be sure you have a correct Social Security number for yourself and any dependents before you file your tax return next year.

#### Report name change

If you changed your name this year (through marriage, divorce, or any other reason) and haven't made sure your new name is listed on your Social Security card and in Social Security's records, there may be problems posting your earnings to Social Security's files. (This could reduce your future Social Security benefits.) Also, the Internal Revenue Service may have problems processing your tax return.

To get a replacement card, you need an identifying document, such as a driver's license. To change the name on your card, you need documentation that shows both your old name and your new name. If you were born outside the United States, generally you also must show proof of U.S. citizenship or lawful alien status. Your replacement card will have the same number as your old card.

#### Report new address

If you're receiving Social Security benefits and you've moved this year, make sure we have your new address. (Sometimes people who have checks sent directly to their bank forget to tell us about a change in their mailing address.)

You must notify the post office and Social Security immediately if you change your mailing address. In fact, failure to report a change of address is the leading cause of checks not arriving on time. Your report should include your claim number, your old address, and the new address, including ZIP Code. Give the names of all family members who should receive benefits or information at the new address.

You should report a new address even if you have direct deposit because important letters from Social Security are sent to your mailing address, even though your benefits go directly to a bank. Your benefits could be stopped temporarily if Social Security cannot locate you because you have not reported a change of address.

#### Report Excess Earnings

If you received Social Security benefits, worked in 1994, and earned above the annual limit, you need to report your earnings to Social Security by April 17, 1995. The 1994 limits were \$8,040 for people under 65 and \$11,160 for people 65-69. If you were age 70 for the entire year, the earnings limits do not apply to you.

## HOMETOWN NEWS

Bruce Bretzke III was born Dec. 20, 1994, at 7:30 p.m., at Blodgett Memorial Hospital in Grand Rapids, to Bruce and Kelli Bretzke of Grand Rapids. He weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces and was 20 inches long. Bruce and Pam Bretzke of Grayling are proud grandparents.

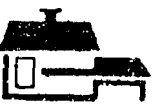
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Navy Seaman Recruit Harley M. Theaker, grandson of Alfred C. and Beverly Theaker of Grayling, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, IL.

During the 8-week program, Theaker completed a variety of training which included classroom study, practical hands-on instruction, and an emphasis on physical fitness. In particular, Theaker learned naval customs, first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival, and a variety of safety skills required for working around ships and aircraft.

Theaker and other recruits also received instruction on the Navy's core values — honor, courage and commitment; and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct. Theaker joins 55,000 men and women who will enter the Navy this year from all over the country.

Men and women train together from their first day in the Navy just as they do aboard ships and at shore bases around the world. To reinforce the team concept, Theaker and other recruits also were trained in preventing sexual harassment and ensuring equal

opportunity.

Even as the naval service gets smaller over the next few years, highly motivated young people like Theaker are still finding an opportunity to improve their knowledge and education as they become part of the

most highly technical naval force in history. This year alone the Navy will have more than 57,000 job openings and opportunities, most of which include guaranteed training.

Theaker is a 1994 graduate of Grayling High School.

Thomas D. Oberg, a student at Grayling High School, the son of Susan L. Love of Grayling, enlisted in the United States Army's Delayed Entry Program for a 4-year tour of duty in the infantry. He is scheduled to report for active duty in July, 1995.

## SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

By Jan Farley

Special thought for the week: Happiness is a by-product of an effort to make someone else happy.

The "OIL" gang had a delicious meal at the Gaylord Center last week and got to see some of the Elk in the park next to the Alton Zimmer Center. They were really interested to look at and everyone enjoyed the trip.

Looking forward to the New Year's Eve bash on the 29th. Come help us ring out the old year and ring in the new year. It all starts with dinner at 5:30 and dancing afterwards. The party is all over by 8:30 or 9, so no one has to be out late at all!

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Dec. 29-Macaroni & Cheese/Beef;  
Dec. 30-BBQ Chicken;  
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Jan. 3-Ham/Sweet & Sour Meatballs;  
Jan. 4-Baked Chicken/Pork Steak;  
Jan. 5-Meatloaf/BBQ Beef;  
Jan. 6-Brown Steak.

**Coming Events**

Mark your calendars for:  
New Year's dinner and dance on Dec. 29 at 5 p.m.

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Remember the Center is closed on Monday, Jan. 2.

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## 46TH CIRCUIT COURT

Appearing before the Honorable Alton T. Davis, Dec. 12:

Darrell Wayne Richardson, age 34 of Grayling, was arraigned on the charge of Breaking and Entering a Building With Intent, which carries a maximum penalty of 10 years. Richardson stood mute and the court entered a plea of not guilty on record.

Melissa Kay Hinkle, age 19 of Grayling, was arraigned on Count I: Criminal Sexual Conduct-Third Degree. Hinkle pled guilty to an added Count II: Accost Children for Immoral Purposes. In exchange for her plea, Count I will be dismissed at the time of sentencing.

Gerald John Maher, age 49 of Grayling, was arraigned on Count I: Delivery/Manufacture of Controlled Substance, which carries a maximum sentence of four years and/or \$2,000. Maher stood mute and the court entered a plea of not guilty on record.

Paul Eugene Becker, age 18 of St. Helen, pled guilty to Breaking and Entering a Building With Intent. In exchange for his plea a second charge of Breaking and Entering will be dismissed.

Jeramie Steven Ruby, age 19 of Grayling, was sentenced on the charge of Delivery of Marijuana. Ruby was placed on three years probation and sentenced to six months in the county jail with credit for 30 days served. He was ordered to pay \$30 to the Crime Victims Fund, \$360 court costs, \$735 attorney fees, \$60 restitution, and \$1,080 supervision fees. He shall not consume or possess intoxicants or enter establishments which dispense intoxicants for consumption on the premises. He shall not consume or possess controlled substances or narcotic paraphernalia, or be in the company of anyone so involved. He

shall submit to urinalysis or breathalyzer test to determine compliance. He shall seek and maintain gainful employment. He shall complete his high school education or obtain a G.E.D.

Charles Jurden Lawson, age 19 of Grayling, was sentenced on the charge of Breaking and Entering With Intent. Lawson was placed on three years probation and sentenced to 180 days in the county jail with credit for one day served. He shall pay \$30 to the Crime Victims Fund, \$360 court costs, \$735 attorney fees and \$1,080 supervision fees. He shall maintain gainful employment. He shall participate and successfully complete mental health counselling, and not terminate same without prior permission of his probation agent. He shall pay restitution in an amount to be determined.



**AMVETS DONATES TO RIVER HOUSE SHELTER-**Post Commander Sherman Bresette of the Grayling AMVETS, presents a check in the amount of \$500 to Janet Bean of River House Shelter. River House serves victims of domestic violence from Crawford, Ogemaw, Oscoda and Roscommon counties. The River House 24-hour crisis line is (517) 348-8972. Collect calls are accepted.

## Truck and cargo is total loss



**BURNT PEANUTS ANYONE?** -- This truck carrying a cargo of mixed nuts, left the northbound I-75 highway and struck a tree. The truck caught on fire, which completely destroyed the cab and box according to the Crawford County Sheriff's Department. No one was injured in the incident. The accident occurred on Tuesday, Dec. 20 around 1 p.m. just north of the Hartwick Pines exit. Emergency personnel from the Grayling Fire Department and the Crawford County Sheriff's Department responded to the incident.

Photo by Linda Denton/Avalanche

## Optometrists offer free eye care for low income families

A program to provide free eye examinations for low-income workers and their families in Michigan gets underway in January.

Part of a nationwide program called VISION USA, the effort is being sponsored in Michigan by members of the Michigan Optometric Association who are donating their services to help those in need.

Applicants can be screened for eligibility from Jan. 3 to Jan. 31, 1995, by calling 1-800-766-4466, according to Ross H. Williams, O.D., Flint, MI, the VISION USA coordinator for Michigan. Phone lines will be open weekdays from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. (central standard time).

People can also apply by mail. Application forms are available from VISION USA, 243 N. Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63141.

Completed forms must be postmarked by Jan. 25, 1995.

To qualify for the free eye care, persons must: have a job or live in a household where there is one working member; have no health insurance of any kind; have income below an established level based on household size; and have had no eye examination within two years.

The comprehensive eye exams will be given in optometrists' offices in March, coinciding with the celebration of Save Your Vision Week, March 5-11.

Low income, uninsured workers and their families often don't qualify for government health care programs and can't afford to pay for health care services like eye care, Dr. Williams said. "Yet they need eye care just as much as other people." He added that

nine out of 10 people examined in the 1994 VISION USA program had eye health or vision problems.

Dr. Williams urged people who think they qualify for the free eye care to apply, even if they don't think they have a vision problem.

"Many eye health problems don't have noticeable early symptoms," he said. "Even with common vision problems like near sightedness, far sightedness or astigmatism, you can become so accustomed to the way you see things that you don't realize you are not seeing as well as you could be."

VISION USA was started in 1985 with a pilot program in Kentucky. It quickly spread to many other states and, in 1991, became a nationwide program.

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Frank McCarrier and Bethany Zmierski of Prudenville: Jakob Tyler McCarrier, Dec. 12, 1994, 7 lbs., 5 ozs.

Sean and Dawn Walsh of Grayling:

Melinda Ann Walsh, Dec. 12, 1994, 5 lbs., 8.8 ozs.

Thomas and Rae Garris of Grayling: Rachel Anne Garris, Dec. 13, 1994, 8 lbs., 15 ozs.

Marvin and Shannon Forbes of Grayling: Tyler Blaine Forbes, Dec. 13, 1994, 6 lbs., 10 ozs.

Steve and Suzanne Walters of Grayling: Jeffrey Curtis Walters, Dec. 19, 1994, 7 lbs., 7.5 ozs.



**D.A.R.E. RECEIVES MODERN WOODMEN DONATION**--Patty Salyers, secretary of Modern Woodmen of America #6378 of Grayling, presents a donation to Lt. Jim Parker of the Crawford County Sheriff Department Drug Awareness Resistance Education program. The donation came from a sucker sale fundraiser by Modern Woodmen.

## May the New Year bring you Peace, Joy & Success

We thank you:

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# SENIOR PERSPECTIVE

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## Deductible and Coinsurance Summary

<b>1995 Part A</b>	
Deductible (60 days of service)	\$716
<b>Coinurance</b>	
61st to 90th day:	\$179
Reserve Days (60):	\$358
<b>Skilled Nursing Facility Care</b>	
21st to 100th Day:	\$89.50
<b>1995 Part B</b>	
Deductible:	\$100
<b>Medicare Premiums</b>	
Part A:	\$261
30 to 39 Quarters:	\$183
Part B:	\$46.10

## Medicare 95: Deductibles and Coinsurance

A notice published by the Health Care Financing Administration in the Federal Register announced that Medicare beneficiaries admitted to hospitals in 1995 will be responsible for a \$716 Part A deductible. This deductible is their sole expense for up to 60 days of inpatient hospital care in a benefit period. This is an increase from the 1994 Part A deductible of \$696.

A benefit period expires when a patient has not received inpatient care from a hospital or skilled nursing facility for 60 days. If readmitted to a hospital after 60 days, it is a new benefit period and the beneficiary would again be responsible for the deductible of \$716. If admitted to a hospital any time during 60 days after

discharged from a hospital or nursing home, it is the same benefit period and the original deductible is still in effect. There is no limitation on the number of times a Medicare beneficiary may be readmitted during a benefit period.

HCFA also published 1995 coinsurance rates for extended hospital stays and skilled nursing facility care. For hospitalization from the 61st through the 90th day, beneficiaries will be responsible for a coinsurance payment of \$179 per day and \$358 a day, for up to 60 once in a lifetime "reserve days." When a beneficiary needs therapeutic care in a

skilled nursing facility after at least three consecutive days of inpatient hospital care, Medicare pays 100 percent of covered expenses for the first 20 days. A coinsurance payment of \$89.50 a day will be required for the 21st through 100th day. The \$100 Part B deductible remains unchanged from 1994.

Under part B, the premium is \$46.10 for 1995. The monthly premium for Part A benefits is \$261, which is an increase from 1994 Part A premium of \$245. The Part A premium is reduced, on a phased-in

basis for individuals with 30-39 quarters paid into the Social Security system. In 1995, the Part A premium is reduced by 30 percent, in 1996 the premium is reduced by 35 percent, and 40 percent in 1997, and 45 percent in 1998, and subsequent years. The reduction in the Part A premium payments also applies to the surviving spouse, or divorced spouse of an individual with 30 to 39 quarters paid into the Social Security System. All questions on the reduced Part A premium should be directed to your local Social Security District Office. Individuals meeting the "40 quarters" requirement under Social Security still receive "premium free" Medicare under Part A.

## Blood pressures and blood sugars taken

Betty Contardo, the Commission on Aging's nurse, will be on hand to take blood pressures and also offer blood sugar screenings, for a suggested donation of \$2. Remember this is suggested; there is no cost for the blood pressures and both are done on a walk-in basis. Remember, this happens on the second and fourth Thursdays, Jan. 12 and 26, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon.

## Commission on Aging board meetings set

The Crawford County Commission on Aging Board meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month (Jan. 18) at 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizen Center, 308 Lawndale, Grayling.

The public is encouraged to attend and actively participate in the meetings. Come and find out what is happening at the center. Coming to the meetings is the only way you will know what is happening at the center, because the board minutes are not published in the local paper and only a few people read the copy available in the office. Make it a point to attend these meetings.

## Name your monthly bulletin

The Commission on Aging in Grayling, is updating their look and needs everyone's input for a new name for the bulletin board. Call in, send in, or stop by with a suggestion for a new name for the monthly bulletin board. Big prize offered! Deadline is Jan. 15.

## Let's dance!

Not only is it Benny Goodman's opening theme song, but it is an invitation to come and have the time of your life at the Commission on Aging dance parties! The first dance is on Jan. 13, in the afternoon. Come and have lunch and swing into the dance hall afterwards. This way you won't have to drive home in the dark. The second dance is on Tuesday, Jan. 31, at 5:30. This time you can come for dinner and dance later. The theme for this last dance is the annual P.J. party. Bring your jammies, etc. and dance in your comfy slippers. Prizes will be awarded to the P.J. contestants.

## Happy New Year

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## JANUARY

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2. NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY CENTER CLOSED	3. 10:00 - Crafts 10:00 - Exercise 11:00 - Line Dance 12:00 - Lunch 1:00 - RSVP Ladies 5:00 - Dinner 5:30 - Cards Nite	4. 10:00 - Quilting 10:30 - Bible Study 12:00 - Lunch 12:30 - "BK Bingo" Birthday Party 1:00 - Stag Club 5:00 - Dinner 5:30 - "Hangman"	5. 9:00 - Class: Global Issues 12:00 - Lunch 1:00 - Class: Early US History 5:00 - Dinner	6. 11:30 - Frederic Satellite 12:00 - Lunch at the Center 8. Sunday Brunch 9 am - 1 pm
9. 12:00 - Lunch 12:00 - Stag Cards 5:00 - Dinner 5:30 - Movie "Leap of Faith"	10. 10:00 - Crafts 10:00 - Exercise 11:00 - Line Dance 12:00 - Lunch 1:00 - RSVP Ladies 5:00 - Dinner 5:30 - White Elephant Auction	11. 10:00 - Quilting 10:30 - Bible Study 12:00 - Lunch 1:00 - Stag Club 5:00 - Dinner 5:30 - Trivia	12. BPS 11 am - 12 noon 9:00 - Class: Global Issues 12:00 - Lunch 1:00 - Class: Early US History 5:00 - Dinner	13. 12:00 - Lunch at the Center 12:30 - Dance with Tina
16. 12:00 - Lunch 12:00 - Stag Cards 5:00 - Dinner 5:30 - Movie "Three Men And A Little Lady"	17. 10:00 - Crafts 10:00 - Exercise 11:00 - Line Dance 12:00 - Lunch 1:00 - RSVP Ladies 5:00 - Dinner 5:30 - Cards Nite	18. 10:00 - Quilting 10:30 - Bible Study 12:00 - Lunch 1:00 - Stag Club 5:00 - Dinner 5:30 - COA Board Meeting	19. 9:00 - Class: Global Issues 12:00 - Lunch 1:00 - Class: Early US History 5:00 - Dinner 5:30 - "DJ" Dance	20. "FOOT CLINIC" 11:30 - Lovells Satellite 12:00 - Lunch 1:30 - Legal Help 22. Sunday Potluck - 4 pm Bring a dish to pass & Service
23. 12:00 - Lunch 12:00 - Stag Cards 5:00 - Dinner 5:30 - Movie "Scapdish"	24. 10:00 - Crafts 10:00 - Exercise 11:00 - Line Dance 12:00 - Lunch 1:00 - RSVP Ladies 5:00 - Dinner 5:30 - Sweatshirt Contest	25. 10:00 - Quilting 10:30 - Bible Study 12:00 - Lunch 1:00 - Stag Club 5:00 - Dinner 5:30 - "Hangman"	26. BPs 11 am - 12 noon 9:00 - Class: Global Issues 12:00 - Lunch 1:00 - Class: Early US History 5:00 - Dinner	27. 12:00 - Lunch at the Center
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# Michigan unemployment is lowest on record

Governor John Engler said that employment figures released today by the U.S. Department of Labor show that Michigan's economy continues to boom. In November, the state's unemployment rate plunged to 4.6 percent—the lowest level since the current method of calculating the rate was established in 1970. In January 1970, the unemployment rate was 4.9 percent.

"Despite the climb in interest rates, Michigan's economy continues to turbocharge the rest of the nation," Engler said. "Our job now is to keep on cutting taxes and spending, reducing the size of government and improving our business climate so that Michigan companies can grow and create more jobs."

In November, the nation's unemployment rate dipped to 5.6 percent. The gap of one full percentage point between Michigan and the nation, also the biggest on record.

With the dramatic drop in unemployment, Michigan has the lowest rate among the nation's 10 largest industrial states.

The number of men and women without jobs was the lowest in 20 years. In November, the number of jobless in Michigan dropped to 220,000. In January, 1974, the number unemployed was 210,000.

# DNR now checks vehicles hauling solid waste

On Dec. 13, a task force of Department of Natural Resources Environmental Conservation Officers and waste disposal experts conducted the state's first inspections of vehicles bringing solid waste into Michigan, to ensure that no unlawful hazardous or liquid industrial wastes were present.

Inspections of waste-hauling vehicles entering the state had previously included only those listed as hauling hazardous or industrial waste.

During the Dec. 13 inspections, 34 trucks hauling solid waste, hazardous waste, or liquid industrial waste were checked as they entered the state via the Blue Water Bridge in Port Huron. A mobile laboratory was set up on site so that samples collected from truck contents could be immediately analyzed. The trucks were inspected to ensure load security, proper manifests and disposal paperwork, proper licensing of waste transport companies, and to ensure that wastes entering Michigan were bound for proper disposal facilities. No major violations were found.

Though no accurate figures are kept, Michigan receives a significant amount of solid waste from Ontario and the northeastern United States. Solid waste disposal costs are much greater in these locations than in Michigan. Such interstate shipment of wastes is legal, and Michigan also ships a relatively small amount of waste out-of-state for disposal.

The Blue Water Bridge is a major entry point for waste shipments. DNR officers routinely work with officials from U.S. Customs and the Michigan Department of Transportation to inspect waste-carrying trucks entering Michigan at this location.

## Grigsby named N.W.M.C. graduate

Candace S. Grigsby of Crawford County, has been named one of the 451 graduates at Northwestern Michigan College, Traverse City.

## HOMETOWN NEWS

Scott and Michelle Huber of Grayling, are proud to announce the birth of Katie Elizabeth Huber, born Dec. 7, 1994, at Otsego Memorial Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces, and was 20 3/4 inches long. She is welcomed at home by her sister, Heather Leigh.

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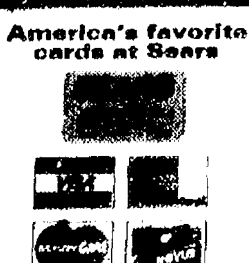
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# NOTES NORTHERN

Section B - Crawford County Avalanche

Thursday, December 29, 1994

## Business community says goodbye to Deborah Allen

**Community leader led chamber through period of high, directed growth, 45 percent increase in memberships.**



**DEBORAH ALLEN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
GRAYLING REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

**By Terry Wright  
News Editor**

December 31, the last day of 1994, marks an end to a very important era in the management of growth and prosperity in the greater Grayling community. That's the day Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce and Grayling Area Visitor's Council Executive Director Deborah Allen will leave the position she has so ably held for five and one-half years.

On Jan. 1, Allen will assume similar responsibilities with the Gaylord/Otsego Chamber of Commerce.

"Working at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce has been a labor of love," Allen said, "but, it's time to move on. This is a very good career move for me."

Allen came to Grayling in 1989 from Pennsylvania, where she served as the executive vice president of the Clinton County Chamber of Commerce.

She is a graduate of Millersville University of Pennsylvania, where she received a bachelor's degree in psychology and business, and a master's degree in education counseling.

Since 1987, Allen has been a member of the United States Naval Reserve, where she currently holds the rank of lieutenant.

She is affiliated with many commerce and service related organizations and has received numerous awards and scholarships.

During her years in Grayling, the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce saw a 45 percent increase in investment based memberships.

"Membership is the aspect I am most proud of in Grayling," Allen said. "The chamber went from a membership of 172 to an all-time high of 335. The biggest challenge in the future will be to maintain a high level of service to the chamber members/customers."

Allen said she feels her greatest achievement is the enhanced communication, now taking place, between the business community and local government.

"That communication is vital," Allen said. "It affects many issues."

She is also proud of the recent Grayling beautification project which included a new welcome sign on the I-75 Business Loop

and a test plot of wildflowers near the intersection of the business loop and M-72 West.

Allen was instrumental in the formation of the Crawford County Industrial Development Fund, which was formed by business and industry to recruit and retain businesses and professional workers in the community.

She was also the first executive director of the Grayling Area Visitor's Council, which was formed shortly before she was hired.

Allen said the most important thing that could happen to the Grayling area in the future is for the county, through government, business, service organizations and individuals to see the value of coordinating economic development efforts into one effort.

"It's critical to the community," she said. "Failure to plan is planning for failure. They have to decide what they want to be."

Toward that end, Allen praised the county-wide effort to develop a master plan of economic development, currently in progress by county and municipal governments.

"There is so much diversity

here," Allen said. "There are tourism factions that rely only on recreation. There is the business and industry aspect. There is the military aspect. There is the large retirement community. Trying to find the right mix for proper growth will be challenging."

"If the community won't support planned growth, they need to decide just what it is they will support," Allen said. "No one will have success if they don't key on working in a unified effort, and agree to sometimes disagree."

"Individuals have to get re-committed to a sense of community," she added. "You can't look to others. It has to be accomplished by all working together, and it's no small task."

"The potential and opportunity for Grayling is limitless. It depends on what people who live and work in this community are willing to support."

"If the passion people have about different issues could be channeled to a common good, there is nothing we couldn't accomplish."

Allen said her years in Grayling have been years well spent, and that she will miss the people.

"Coming here, there was an immediate bond," she said. "It's a wonderful community. I had an opportunity to make a difference. I'm going to miss that challenge here, but I'm sure I'll face the same challenge in Gaylord."

"I know that chamber work

is my profession," she said. "It allows me the opportunity to feel like I'm really contributing."

"When I'm gone, I'd like people to say that I worked hard and was dedicated," Allen said. "I will give 110 percent to my next community, just as I have given 110 percent here."

"I've truly enjoyed the opportunity that I've been given here," she said. "It's made a difference personally and professionally, and even though I am moving on, you will always have a friend in the north."

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce is currently accepting applications to fill the vacancy left by Allen's departure. Interviews will be conducted the first week in January.

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# 1994 Football Contest

## It's Here! Tackle it!

### The Winners!

Ross Thompson won the 17th week of the football contest with 25 total points! Brenda Curtis and Betty Francisco were close behind with 24 total points.

The top contenders after the 17th week in the overall contest are: Kelly Curtis, 228; Scott Wakeley, 224; Butch Brown, 222; Thomas Goddard, 220; D. J. Metzger, 219; Ross Thompson, 217; Chris Gelnick, Richard Nash, 216; Paul Elekonich, and Mark Hartman, 215.

Out of the 159 entries received this week, 30 got both Miami games correct and 32 chose Houston to beat the NY Jets. This was not a good week for points: 25 had under 10 points; 76 had 10-15 points; 49 had 16-20 points and nine had over 20 points.

This is the last week of the football contest. In the event of a tie for the overall contest, tiebreaker #3 will be used to determine a winner, the closest guess to the

actual total score of both games, without going over. This is for the overall winner only.

If you enjoy playing in the football contest, let the sponsors know by telling them or by supporting their business. Without the continued support of these sponsors, the football contest wouldn't be possible.

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| 1. Blue 5 points (65)    | 9. Cleveland             |
| 2. Miami 5 points        | 10. Kansas City          |
| 3. Atlanta               | 11. New Orleans          |
| 4. Indianapolis 2 points | 12. Houston              |
| 5. NY Giants             | 13. San Diego            |
| 6. Green Bay             | 14. Washington           |
| 7. New England           | 15. New England 5 points |
| 8. Cincinnati (63)       | 16. Miami (47)           |

### How to win.

#### To be a weekly winner:

- Write your prediction for game one on entry form.
- Write the advertiser's name on entry form for game one. All the advertisers must be included.
- Fill out rest of entry form this way including your three tie-breaker predictions (total points scored by both teams).
- Return the entry form by 5 p.m. Friday to the Avalanche. Mail slot in our door may be used Wednesday or Thursday night after 5 p.m. and before 9 a.m. Mail entries must be postmarked Friday or earlier. No late entries accepted. No exceptions.
- The person with the most correct picks wins all the weekly prizes listed.

#### To win the overall prizes:

- Each time you turn in an entry form you'll receive points for your correct picks. Most games will be worth one point. (All games for week 1 are worth one point each.) Later in the season, certain games will be designated as bonus point games worth more than one point. The biggest bonus point game will be at the last week of the contest.
- You don't have to enter each week to be eligible to win but if you play each week, you'll have more chances to win points.
- The person with the most points at the end of the football contest will win all the overall prizes.

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- \*Free lube, oil & filter from Scheer Motors
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Game 15	
Game 16	
Tiebreaker 1 (total points scored in game 1)	
Tiebreaker 2 (total points scored in game 16)	
Tiebreaker 3 (total points scored in game 8)	

**Avalanche Football Contest Official Rules**

- Contestants must list the advertiser in which each game is found. Entry blanks without advertisers listed will be invalid.
- One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford Co. Avalanche employees are not eligible.
- Completed entry blanks must be returned to the Avalanche no later than 5 p.m. Friday before each week's games. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than 5 p.m. Friday. Mail to Avalanche, PO Box 490, Grayling, MI, 49738.
- Entries must be on an official entry blank as printed in the Avalanche. No purchase necessary to enter. Entry forms are available at the Avalanche office.
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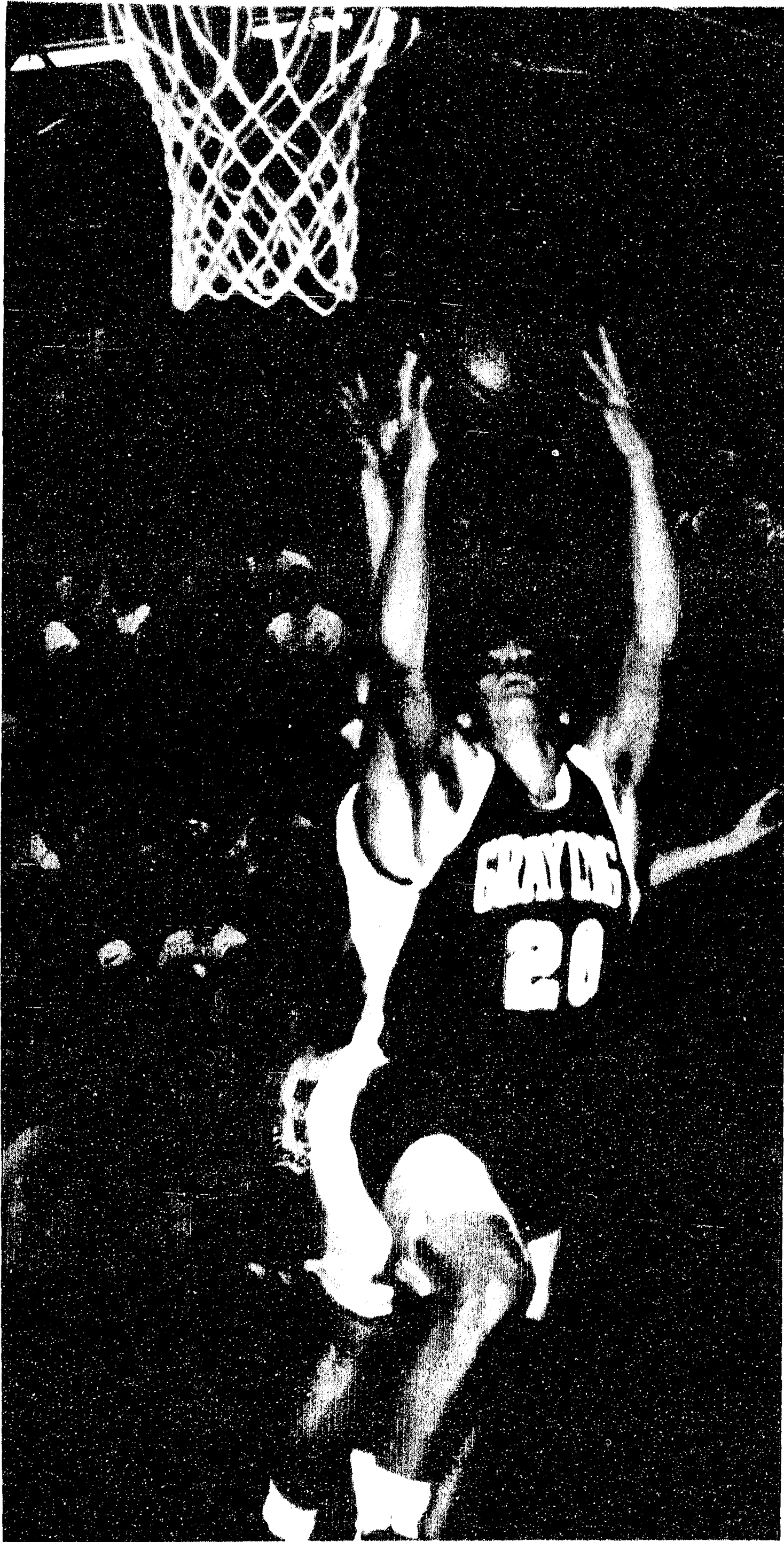
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# SECTION SPORTS

## Vikings fall to Northmen, 67-65



**THAT'S MY REBOUND**--Junior Viking guard, Chris Kucharek, has the position and gets the rebound in the recent contest versus the Petoskey Northmen. The game proved to be exciting, going down to the final shot, but the Vikings fell to the Northmen by a 67-65 score, suffering their first defeat of the season.

By Terry Wright  
News Editor

A determined, second half surge by the Grayling Viking varsity basketball team fell one basket short on Tuesday, Dec. 20, as the Vikings suffered their first loss of the season at the hands of the Petoskey Northmen, by a 67-65 score.

For the Vikings, the loss marked the first of the young 94-95 season, but was the third loss to the Northmen in their last four meetings. During last year's regular season, Petoskey was the only team to beat the Vikings, and they did it twice. The Vikes only win versus the Northmen came in the championship game of the district tournament.

Petoskey started the game by nailing down the first nine points before Grayling could find the basket, but by the end of the first quarter the Vikings had fought back to trail by only two points, 16-14.

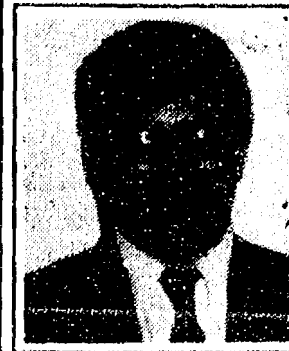
The Northmen again surged in the second period, building an eight-point, 36-28 halftime lead.

In the third quarter, the Vikings came alive, out-hustling their opponents to steal back any advantage the Northmen had built. After the third, the score was knotted, 52-52.

The final stanza was a see-saw, neck-and-neck affair with the lead changing hands several times. A last second, 3-point attempt by senior Shane Hinkle failed to drop, giving the Northmen the 67-65, victory.

Hinkle's 21 points led the Viking scorers, followed closely by 17 points by senior Scott Longendyke and 15 points by senior Ben Croze. Senior

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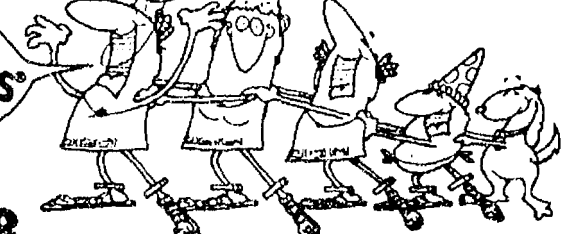
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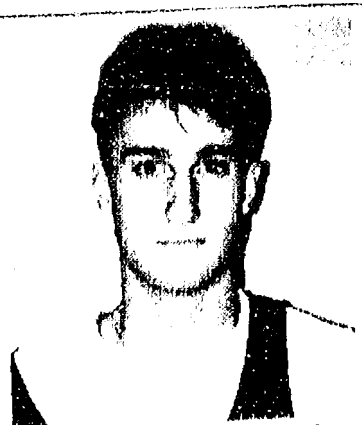
**Time:** 3:30 to 5 pm

**Place:** Mercy Amicare Home Healthcare  
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**Speaker:** Douglas Slater, M.D., Internist

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SHANE HINKLE

Playing a strong game against a tough Petoskey opponent, Shane led his team with 19 points, 9 assists and 4 steals.

### Hunting & Fishing Weekly Update

**THIS WILL BE THE FINAL REPORT FOR 1994** and it has been a good year. Some of the hunters got some really big bucks, also a couple of big bear, and the fishing was great all summer.


Even though it has been unseasonably warm there is ice in some places. Houghton Lake is good and Lake Margrethe has been producing some walleye and some good perch. West Twin Lake, over near Lewiston, should be good for perch and walleye. You might check out Manistee Lake for crappie and walleye and Horseshoe Lake, up near Waters, is always good for bluegills, but remember...be very careful of the ice.



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## Vikings

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Chris Jones and junior Chris Kucharek ended the game with 6 points each. Junior Scott Hartman added two points to the Viking total.

Croze contributed six rebounds, Jones had 11 assists and Hinkle had nine assists. Hinkle also stole the ball from his opponent four times.

Hinkle received his coach's nod as "Viking of the Week."

"We played a solid third quarter, and did a lot of positive things on the offensive and defensive ends of the court," said Viking Coach Rich Moffit.

"Down the stretch we made a few mistakes," he added. "Hopefully, we'll learn from this experience and continue to improve as the season progresses. We have a lot of areas to improve. If our kids continue to learn and work hard, then only positive things will happen to us."

After a 1-week Christmas and New Year's vacation, the Vikings host the Boyne City Ramblers in the Viking arena on Tuesday, Jan. 3.

## POOL LEAGUE

Crawford Pool League	
Dec. 19	
Swamp II	119-79
Weyerhaeuser	117-81
Frederic Inn	106-92
Plaza	99-99
Red Barn I	95-103
Holiday Inn	87-111
Red Barn II	86-112
Spikes	83-115

## HONORS LIST

Kaethe Callewaert of Grayling, has been named to the dean's list for fall term at Northwood University.

Callewaert is the daughter of Joseph and Jean Callewaert of Grayling.

To achieve dean's list recognition, students must earn a 3.0 grade point on a 4.0 scale.

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## BOWLING LEAGUE

National League		Recreation League	
Carquest	38.5-21.5	Scheer Motors	40-20
Budweiser	34-26	Glen's	34-26
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Guns & Grub	31-29	Cornell	31-29
Spikes	30.5-29.5	Mickey Perez CPA	30-30
Suttles	30-30	North Country R.V.	27-33
Frederic Inn	28.5-31.5	Terry's Sport Center	25-35
Georgia Pacific Resin	21.5-38.5	Mark 8	21-39
High Game: G. Wolfe, 219, K. Best, 205, D. Canfield, 204. High Series: G. Wolfe, 601, M. D'Amour, 588, D. Canfield, 549.		High Game: G. Neilson, 197, K. Schmidt, 189, C. Curtis, 187. High Series: K. Schmidt, 469, J. Andersen, 459, D. Mead, 455.	
American Men's League		Pioneer League	
McLean's	36-13	Millikins	35-25
Upper Lakes	28-21	Mersey Hospital	35-25
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Red Barn	19-30	Aunt Betty's	25-35
High Game: B. Palmer, 197, R. Pyle, 192, L. Davis Jr., 189. High Series: R. Pyle, 534, G. Fenton, 524, B. Hart, 502.		High Game: M. Moshier, 192, N. Scullen, 190, L. Golnick, 187. High Series: N. Glaslee, 503, C. Jones, 495, J. Harland, 490.	

## 1995 Winter Wolf Challenge seeks hearty competitors

The 1995 Grayling Winter Wolf Challenge committee is seeking persons willing to challenge themselves against the Winter Wolf triathlon events of kayaking, nordic skiing and snowshoeing.

The event takes place on the weekend of Jan. 28-29.

On the morning of Saturday, Jan. 28, the kayak events will begin in front of Ray's Canoes in downtown Grayling, sprint a short distance downstream, then return to Ray's.

The five kilometer nordic ski event and the three kilometer snowshoe event take place on Sunday, Jan. 29 at Hanson Hills.

All events are divided into classes for juniors ages 14-18, classic ages 19-49 and masters competitors ages 50 and over.

Following the completion of the events, cash prizes and medals will be awarded to the top three finishers for men and women in both classic and master divisions. Junior winners will receive trophies.

Registration for athletes is \$20 if postmarked by Jan. 7. Late registrations will be accepted until 10 a.m. on Jan. 28, at a cost of \$25.

For more information on the 1995 Grayling Winter Wolf Challenge please contact the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce or the Grayling Area Visitors Council by phoning 1-800-937-8837.



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There will be archery shoots every Tuesday, Thursday from 7 p.m. until finished and every Sunday from 12 noon until 5 p.m.

Tuesday nights have been tentatively set aside for compound bow shooters and Thursday nights for recurve and long-bow shooters or traditional shooters.

Sundays are open to the public to come in and just have fun.

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Bear's Bowmen an archery club that represents the whole area.

For more information, please telephone (517) 348-6500, or (517) 348-7221, after 6 p.m.

## Hanson Hills ski report

Hanson Hills Recreation Area opened two slopes for downhill skiers on Friday, Dec. 23. Open and ready for skiers are the bunny slope and the super bowl.

With 6-to-8-inches of manmade base, conditions are listed as being machine groomed, frozen, granular snow. Snow making has been in progress for some time and continues on a nightly basis when weather conditions allow.

Hanson Hills is open through the holidays from Monday, Dec. 26, through Friday, Dec. 30 from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. On Saturday, Dec. 31, and Sunday, Jan. 1, hours will be 11 a.m. until 5 p.m.

There are currently no cross-country ski trails open.

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# First GHS female wrestler sets goal to be team captain

By Linda Denton  
Staff Writer

Being a female wrestler takes more than just being good at wrestling, according to Danielle Dushane, freshman wrestler for Grayling High School. It also takes a little bit of diplomacy.

"I have to be mean and aggressive on the mat, but I have to make sure I'm sweet in school so that people don't say things," said Danielle.

Her teammates call her "Bruise" because she gets a lot of bruises on her legs, arms, stomach and chest while wrestling. Recently, she received a black eye from an illegal crossface move, which is similar to punching, by a teammate.

Wrestling is a family sport at Danielle's house. With two brothers wrestling and practicing on her, Danielle decided it was time to learn some moves of her own.

"My brothers, my older brother and my younger brother, use to come home from wrestling and beat me up. I put up with this for a couple of years and then decided I should try it so I can beat them up," said Danielle.

Danielle started wrestling in seventh grade, but dropped out because her father was worried about her.

"My father, at first, didn't really want me to (wrestle). He was afraid I might be touched in the wrong spot by some of the guys, or I might get hurt," said Danielle. "My parents support me. They are very proud of me."

Danielle decided to wrestle again in the eighth grade. She ended the season with 11 wins and seven losses.

Danielle said it was the support of her fellow students that made her continue wrestling this year.

"I didn't want people to think that I'm a girl wrestler so there's something wrong with me. But they (her classmates) all supported me and wanted me to wrestle," said Danielle.

Danielle doesn't feel as if she receives a lot of special treatment being a female wrestler, but she does admit to some special treatment.

"I don't get that much more freedom, but every once in a while I do," said Danielle.

"Coach doesn't want me to be like other girls that he sees who just go out there and give up," said Danielle. "He says if we're going to have a girl on the team, she's going to be good and work hard, so he might push me a little harder than the other guys."

At wrestling practice, Danielle joins in on the stretches, but when the guys start to do dives and tumbles, Danielle watches from the sidelines as she does her own warm up routine.

"The guys do rolls, headrolls and stuff, and I injured my back last year when I did a roll," said Danielle. "My muscles are very tense, they get cramped if they aren't stretched out really good so I take that time to stretch them."

Danielle's record this season is technically eight wins and eight losses, but six of her wins are byes. Byes occur when there is no one in her weight class to wrestle her or the boy refuses to wrestle her, which has happened.

Some boys don't want to wrestle a girl because they are afraid they will hurt me or that they will lose to a girl, said Danielle.

"I haven't had all that many byes at the big tournaments because there is usually someone to wrestle," said Danielle.

Although Danielle doesn't feel she is treated differently, there are some noticeable differences. She said teammates tend to watch what they say around her and some are more gentle in wrestling her because she is a girl. She also said that she didn't get the initiation that the other freshman got when they joined the wrestling team, not that she is complaining.

Danielle's teammates have told her that girl wrestlers tend to be more defensive wrestlers rather than offensive, so Danielle is concentrating on being a more offensive wrestler.

Danielle concentrates on improving her lower body strength, when most of her male competition works a lot on their upper body strength. She doesn't want to develop a lot of upper body muscle.

"I like my legs to be a lot stronger than my upper body because, first of

all, it helps me with my speed," said Danielle. "I go up against juniors and seniors and I can't match their upper body strength, but I can increase my speed."

At competitions, Danielle doesn't have the opportunity to get psyched up like the rest of the team due to her isolation from the team. After all the guys have changed, Danielle does go into the locker room to hear Coach Ferguson talk to the team, but she says she usually only hears the end of his speech.

Being a female wrestler does cause some problems for her.

"I'll be walking around school or I'll say something like 'Could you please not do that.' And someone will say, 'Yeah or she'll kick your butt,'" said Danielle sounding frustrated.

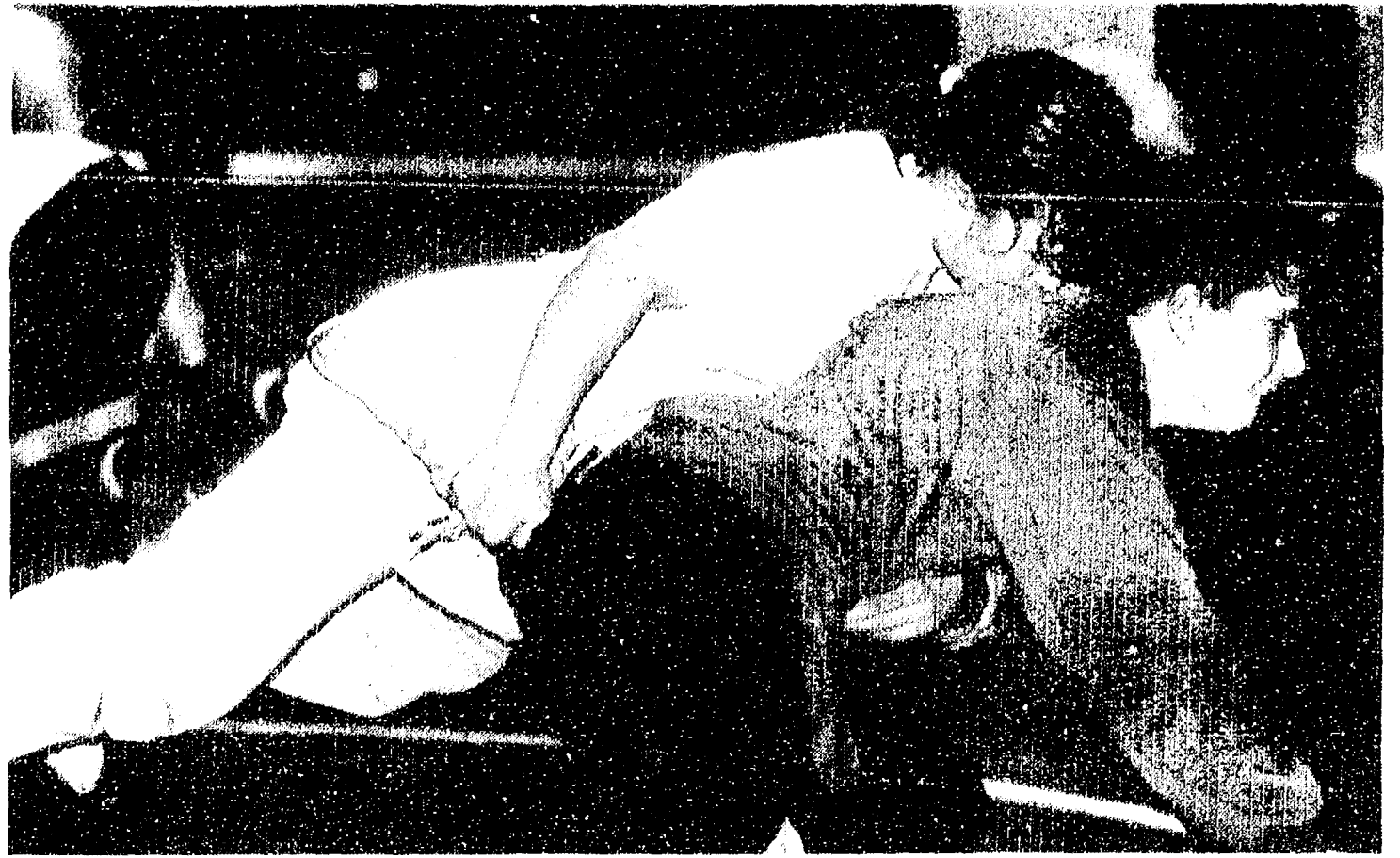
"So I get a reputation for being tough," said Danielle. She is careful about how she is perceived by peers, she doesn't want to be perceived as a freak. Danielle likes to wrestle and her goals for her senior year include being the team captain and competing at the state level.

Danielle isn't the only one who has to be diplomatic when it comes to her wrestling, it is also something the school district needs to be diplomatic about. Some people object to the fact that a female can wrestle with the males, but males can't play volleyball with the females.

Superintendent Kent Reynolds, explaining the law that applies, said "Title IX says if a practice works to the disadvantage of one gender, it is illegal."

Reynolds said a girl wrestling does not reduce any boy's opportunity to wrestle, but having boys play volleyball does reduce girls' opportunities to play volleyball.

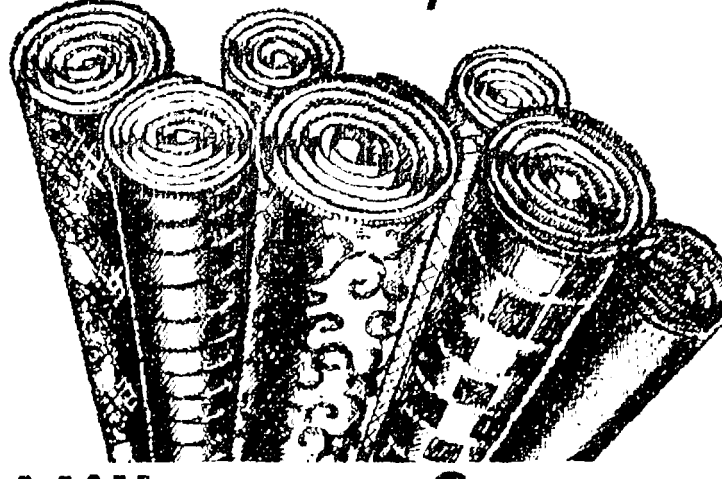
The courts look at the number of opportunities to compete, said Reynolds. The district has to provide an equal opportunity to compete for boys and girls, but they do not necessarily have to be the same, so there is no mandate to have girls and boys volleyball just that the number of opportunities are equal, he said.



Danielle Dushane (106) and Eddie Davis (126) during a recent wrestling practice.

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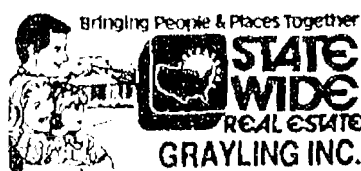
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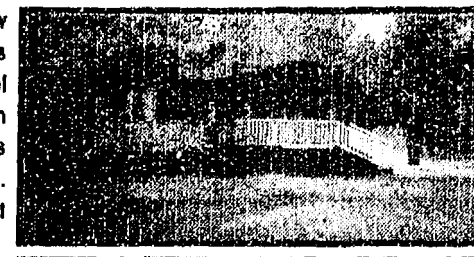


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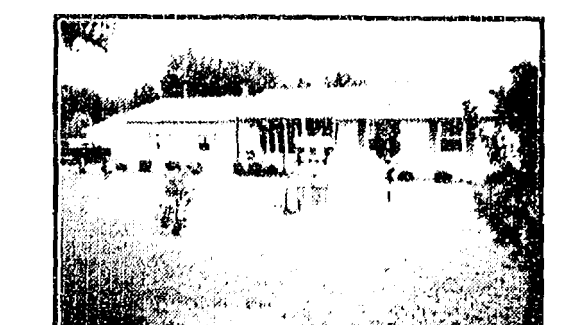
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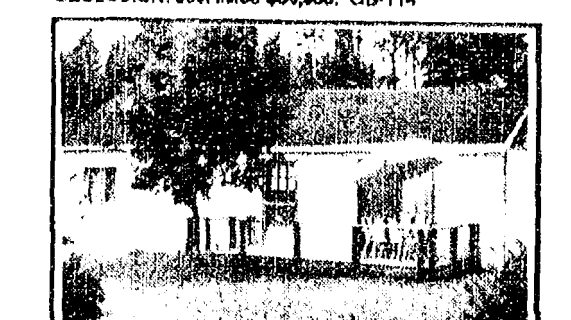
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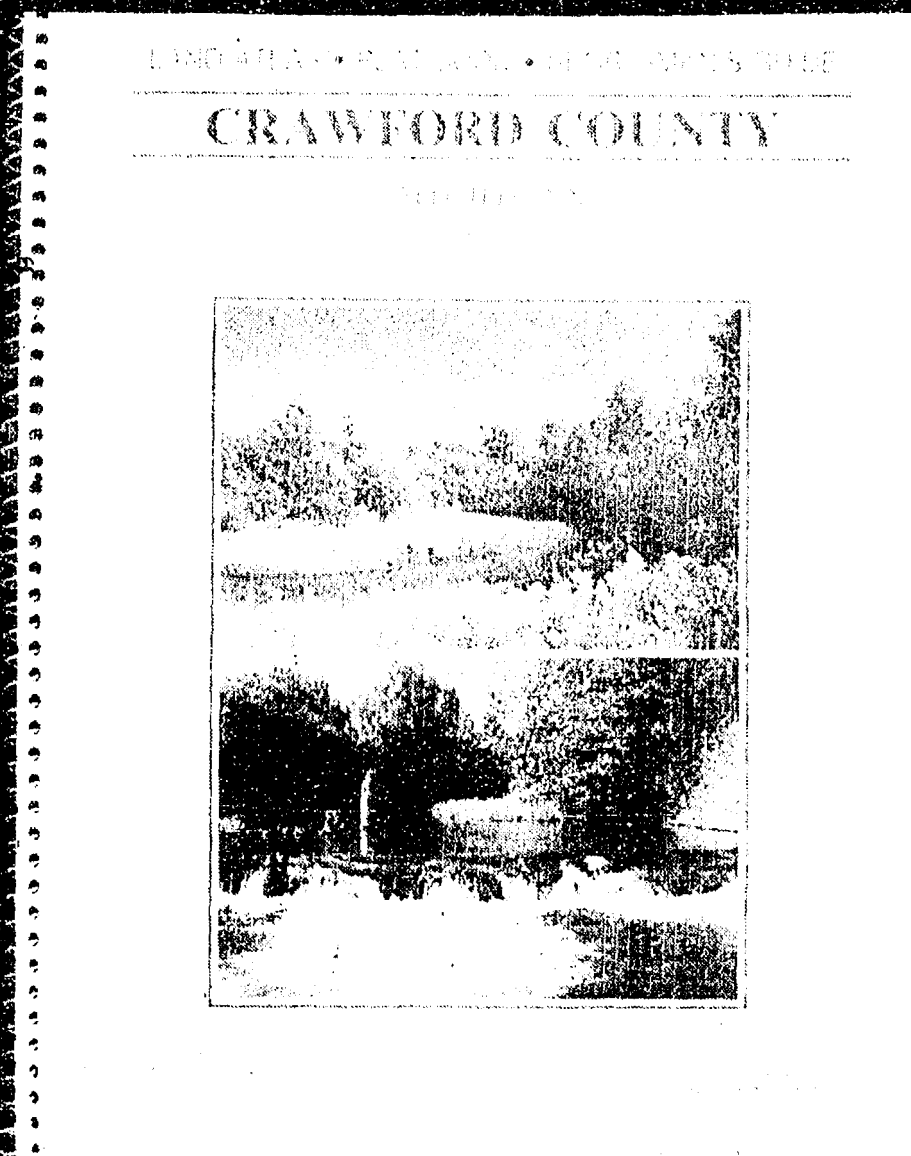
#### 11. Automotive

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## Wrong Social Security number could delay your federal tax return

An incorrect Social Security number could cause needless delays when you file your 1994 federal income tax return.

"It is very important that every Social Security number on your federal tax return be correct," said IRS district director Arlene Kay. "This year we will verify the Social Security numbers of every taxpayer, their spouse and their dependents with Social Security Administration records. If a name and number do not match, it will delay the refund."

"We will also look closely at returns that claim refundable credits, such as the Earned Income Credit, to ensure that the taxpayer is eligible for the credit and that it has been computed correctly," said Kay. "Taxpayers should review the rules for claiming dependents and credits before filing their returns to avoid additional delays."

Kay said the closer scrutiny is part of the IRS' efforts to prevent refund fraud. "Every bank and financial institution requires proper

identification to withdraw money," she said. "We believe we should do no less before monies are paid from the federal treasury."

"Taxpayers and dependents who do

not have a Social Security number or are unsure of their number should contact the Social Security Administration before filing their return," she said. "They can call SSA

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## LEGAL ACTION

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
IN THE CIRCUIT  
COURT FOR THE  
COUNTY OF  
CRAWFORD

Case No. 94-3209-CH (D)  
BENJAMIN F. BUSBY,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
DANIEL C. LIDSTER, and DOROTHY  
LIDSTER  
husband and wife, jointly and severally,  
Defendants.  
HESS & HESS, P.C.  
By: SCOTT L. HESS (P37379)  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
319 Lake St., P.O. Box 726  
Roscommon, MI 48653  
(517) 275-5184  
DANIEL C. LIDSTER & DOROTHY  
LIDSTER, Defendants  
In Pro Per  
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Roscommon, MI 48653  
(517) 275-6226

## NOTICE OF SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain Land Contract and Judgment of Foreclosure being entered in favor of BENJAMIN F. BUSBY, Plaintiff herein, and against DANIEL C. LIDSTER and DOROTHY LIDSTER, Defendants herein, said Judgment being entered in the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford on December 12, 1994, in the amount of \$14,527.09 principal (including taxes and insurance paid by Plaintiff) and \$1,793.22 interest for a total amount due of \$16,320.31, with interest thereon at the rate of eleven (11%) percent per annum from December 12, 1994, together with costs and attorney fees of \$923.76 as of November 3, 1994, the total amount of said

Judgment being \$17,292.25, plus costs and attorney fees at the date of this Notice.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the terms of the said Judgment, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 13th day of February, 1995, at 10:00 a.m., said Judgment will be enforced by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held, of the premises described in said Judgment, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said Judgment with interest at the rate of eleven (11%) percent per annum and all penalties, interest and costs due thereon, including attorney fees, allowed by law and also any sums which may be paid by the undersigned to protect his interest in the premises, which said premises are described as follows:

Township of South Branch, County of Crawford, State of Michigan;  
Commencing at a point which is 22 rods West of the Southeast corner of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 33, Town 25 North, Range 2 West; thence 80 rods North, thence 4 rods West, thence 80 rods South, thence 4 rods East to the point of beginning. Being a part of the West 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 33, Town 25 North, Range 2 West. The period of redemption expires six (6) months from the date of the sale.

HESS & HESS, P.C.  
Dated: December 21, 1994  
BY: SCOTT L. HESS (P37379)  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
319 Lake St., P.O. Box 726  
Roscommon, MI 48653  
(517) 275-5184  
-29-5-12-19-26-29

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
IN THE CIRCUIT  
COURT FOR THE  
COUNTY OF  
CRAWFORD

Case No. 94-3207-CH (D)  
BENJAMIN F. BUSBY,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
AMY LIDSTER, a/k/a/ AMY LESTER  
Defendant.  
HESS & HESS, P.C.  
By: SCOTT L. HESS (P37379)  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
319 Lake St., P.O. Box 726  
Roscommon, MI 48653  
(517) 275-5184  
AMY LESTER, Defendant  
In Pro Per  
108 Dewberry Lane  
Roscommon, MI 48653  
(517) 275-6226

## NOTICE OF SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain Land Contract and Judgment of Foreclosure being entered in favor of BENJAMIN F. BUSBY, Plaintiff herein, and against AMY LIDSTER, a/k/a/ AMY LESTER, Defendant herein, said Judgment being entered in the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford on December 12, 1994, in the amount of \$12,676.28 principal (including taxes and insurance paid by Plaintiff) and \$1,117.41 interest for a total amount due of \$13,793.69, with interest thereon at the rate of eleven (11%) percent per annum from December 12, 1994,

together with costs and attorney fees of \$923.76 as of November 3, 1994, the total amount of said Judgment being \$14,763.21, plus costs and attorney fees at the date of this Notice.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the terms of the said Judgment, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 13th day of February, 1995, at 10:00 a.m., said Judgment will be enforced by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held, of the premises described in said Judgment, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said Judgment with interest at the rate of eleven (11%) percent per annum and all penalties, interest and costs due thereon, including attorney fees, allowed by law and also any sums which may be paid by the undersigned to protect his interest in the premises, which said premises are described as follows:

Township of South Branch, County of Crawford, State of Michigan;  
Lot 2, BER-MER WOODS NO. 2, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, page 22, Crawford County Records.  
The period of redemption expires six (6) months from the date of the sale.

HESS & HESS, P.C.  
Dated: December 21, 1994  
BY: SCOTT L. HESS (P37379)  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
319 Lake St., P.O. Box 726  
Roscommon, MI 48653  
(517) 275-5184  
-29-5-12-19-26-29

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
IN THE CIRCUIT  
COURT FOR THE  
COUNTY OF  
CRAWFORD

File No. 94-3398-CH(D)  
CRAWFORD COUNTY HOUSING  
REHABILITATION & COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
THOMAS J. BUCHANAN and BERNICE A.  
BUCHANAN, husband and wife  
Defendant.  
CAREY & ASSOCIATES, P.C.  
By: William L. Carey P31602  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
114 Michigan Ave., PO Drawer 665  
Grayling, Michigan 49738 (517) 348-5232  
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE  
In pursuance and by virtue of a decree of the

Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, made and entered in the above-entitled cause on the 12th day of December, 1994, notice is hereby given that the Crawford County Clerk shall sell at public sale to the highest bidder at the front door of the County Building in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan on the 10th day of February, 1995 at 10:00 in the forenoon, the following described property located within the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, and being more fully described as:

The West 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 17, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, containing 5 acres more or less and mobile home permanently attached.  
CAREY & ASSOCIATES, P.C.  
Dated: December 19, 1994  
BY: William L. Carey P31602  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
PO Drawer 665  
Grayling, MI 49738  
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-29-5-12-19-26-29

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
IN THE CIRCUIT  
COURT FOR THE  
COUNTY OF  
CRAWFORD

File No. 94-3397-CH(P)  
CRAWFORD COUNTY HOUSING  
REHABILITATION & COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
MAX R. CROSBY and LOU ANN CROSBY  
husband and wife  
Defendant.  
CAREY & ASSOCIATES, P.C.  
By: William L. Carey P31602  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
114 Michigan Ave., PO Drawer 665  
Grayling, Michigan 49738 (517) 348-5232  
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE  
In pursuance and by virtue of a decree of the

Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, made and entered in the above-entitled cause on the 12th day of December, 1994, notice is hereby given that the Crawford County Clerk shall sell at public sale to the highest bidder at the front door of the County Building in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan on the 10th day of February, 1995 at 10:00 in the forenoon, the following described property located within the Township of Frederic, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, and being more fully described as:

Lot 2, Block 3 of Dilley S. Addition to the Village of Frederic, according to the recorded plat thereof.  
CAREY & ASSOCIATES, P.C.  
Dated: December 19, 1994  
BY: William L. Carey P31602  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
PO Drawer 665  
Grayling, MI 49738  
(517) 348-5232  
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Short Foreclosure  
Notice  
Crawford County

MORTGAGE SALE—Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by: Kim J. Halstead and Dawn L. Halstead to Community Mortgage Services, Inc., Mortgagee, dated October 5, 1992, and recorded on October 6, 1992, in Liber 348, on pages 574-578, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to Marathon Mortgage Corporation, a Michigan Corporation, by an assignment dated October 5, 1992, and recorded on December 15, 1992, in Liber 352, on Page 399, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FORTY THREE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SIXTY TWO AND 93/100 DOLLARS (\$43,962.93), including interest at 7.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the Court Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on January 11, 1995.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Being part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 3, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP, Crawford County, Michigan described as: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Section 3, thence West along Section line 545.0 feet to the point of beginning; thence south 01 degree 34 minutes West, 550.00 feet, thence West 355.0 feet, thence North 01 degree 34 minutes East, 550.00 feet, thence East along Section Line, 355.0 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 29, 1994  
Marathon Mortgage Corporation, a Michigan Corporation  
Mortgagee  
BORNSTEIN AND SCHNEIDERMAN, P.C., ATTORNEYS  
17117 W. Nine Mile Rd., Ste. 1040  
Southfield, MI 48075  
-8-15-22-29

SHORT  
FORECLOSURE  
NOTICE

MORTGAGE SALE—Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by CURT T. HANSON, A SINGLE MAN, to U.S. MUTUAL MORTGAGE CORPORATION, a Michigan Corporation Mortgagee, dated July 5, 1985, and recorded on July 5, 1985, in Liber 236, on page 58, CRAWFORD County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgage to First Federal Savings Bank of Delaware, a Federal Savings Bank now known as BERKLEY FEDERAL BANK & TRUST by an assignment dated December 21, 1992, and recorded on September 20, 1993, in Liber 365, on page 427, CRAWFORD County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of thirty one thousand seventy nine and 77/100 Dollars (\$31,079.77), including interest at 7.625 % per annum, with adjustable rate rider.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and approved, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, MI, at 10:00 a.m. on February 8, 1995.

Said premises are situated in CITY OF GRAYLING, CRAWFORD County, Michigan and are described as:

SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT A  
The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241(a) in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

DATED: December 29, 1994  
ATTORNEY FOR: Assignee of Mortgagee  
Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C.  
401 South Woodward Avenue  
Suite 300  
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616  
BERKLEY FEDERAL BANK & TRUST  
Assignee of Mortgagee  
-29-5-12-19-26

SYNOPSIS  
Lovells Township  
Regular Meeting of  
the Lovells Township  
Board 12-13-94

PRESENT: Schaubly, Hopp, Haberland, Fuchs, Duby, and two others.  
The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Minutes of the 11-10-94 meeting were accepted. Bills in the amount of \$6,760.02 in the General Fund, \$1,357.21 in the Fire Fund, \$1,410.56 in the Landfill Fund and \$39.41 in the Liquor Fund were approved to be paid.  
Treasurer's report was accepted as presented.  
CORRESPONDENCE:  
Letters received from County Clerk, Sheriff

Lovely, Michigan Public Service Commission, DNR, Consumers Power, Crawford Emergency Central Dispatch, Warner, Norcross & Judd, County Building & Zoning and minutes from Economic Development Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:  
Fire Chief reported five runs, Zoning Administrator had nothing to report and the board received the Liquor Inspectors report for December.

NEW BUSINESS:  
Motion approved to appoint V. Jack Ralph, William Mallory and Valerie Buntin to Board of Review for the 1995-1996 two year term.  
Ken Paquet from BFI spoke to board about changes to the amendment to the Crawford County Solid Waste Management Plan.  
Fire Chief Duby requested funds to purchase Jaws of Life. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.  
Cheryl Hopp  
Lovells Township Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF CRAWFORD  
CLAIMS NOTICE  
Independent Probate

File No. 94-005327-IE  
Estate of William H. Joseph, Deceased.  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
Your interest in the estate may be barred or affected by the following:  
The decedent, whose last known address was 209 Island Park Drive, Grayling, Michigan 49738, died December 14, 1992.  
An instrument dated January 16, 1982, has been admitted as the will of the deceased.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, Marian H. Joseph, Route 4, Box 4008, Grayling, Michigan 49738, or to both the independent personal representative and the Crawford County Probate Court, Grayling, Michigan 49738, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice.  
Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.  
Richard E. Joseph P39924  
201 State Street  
Charlevoix, MI 49720 616-547-9931  
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## NOTICE

The Crawford County Courthouse will be closed on Monday, January 2, 1995, due to the New Year's Holiday. We will be open for business as usual on Tuesday, January 3, 1995.

Have a safe and Happy New Year!!

Elizabeth H. Wieland  
County Clerk

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Northeast Michigan Consortium is requesting proposals for programs targeting economically disadvantaged adults and long-term unemployed/dislocated workers. Job specific or vocational skills is a required component of proposal.

Eligible proposers are educational agencies, community based organizations, and non-profit entities with demonstrated effectiveness with the named target groups in the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Presque Isle.

Available funds are approximately \$40,000. Proposals due January 13, 1995.

Request proposal packets from Edle Skroch at 517-733-8548, Northeast Michigan Consortium, P.O. Box 711, Onaway, Michigan 49765.

An Equal Opportunity Employer. Auxiliary aids and services will be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

## NOTICE

CRAWFORD COUNTY HOUSING REHABILITATION  
AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

## 1995 MEETING SCHEDULE

January 12, 1995	July 13, 1995
February 9, 1995	August 10, 1995
March 9, 1995	September 14, 1995
April 13, 1995	October 12, 1995
May 11, 1995	November 9, 1995
June 8, 1995	December 14, 1995

The meetings are held at the Grayling State Bank, Grayling, MI, in their conference room located in the basement and begin at 9 a.m. If any changes are made, the change will be published in ample time. Citizens wishing to address the Housing Commission Board may contact the Housing Commission office at the County Building, 348-2841, EXT. 253, to be placed on the agenda.

## NOTICE

## FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1995

THE ROAD COMMISSION FOR CRAWFORD COUNTY WILL RECEIVE SEALED PROPOSALS FOR SUPPLYING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS AND SERVICES:

1. Various motor, hydraulic, ATF, oils and greases.
2. Various tires and repair of same.
3. Various engine, transmission, air and hydraulic filters.
4. Various windshield, flat glass and window repair.

NOTE: The detailed list of items is available at the Road Commission office; 500 Huron Street, Grayling, Michigan 49738. Contact: Jon McLeod.

Proposals are to be received, in the Road Commission office, during regular business hours, on or before 10 a.m. Friday, January 13, 1995.

By: James Briney, Managing Director

Grayling Township  
Board  
Regular Meeting  
Dec. 13, 1994

Members present: Lynnette Corlew, John Medler, Monica Ashton, Ruth O'Mara, Arnold Stancil. Members absent: None. Citizens Present: Dennis M. Meyers, Terry Wright, Katie Smock, Nick Stancil, Jessica Roy, Samara Sabin, Dan VanNuck, Steven Bugby, Teresa Funt.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Medler, carried, to approve minutes of Nov. 10, 1994, as presented. All ayes.

Motion by Corlew, support by Ashton, to accept Treasurer's report for November, 1994. All ayes, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: (No action required)  
Crawford Emergency Central Dispatch 11-94 Activity Report, Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Board of Trustees Meeting minutes 10-19-94, C.C. Resource Conservation and Development Comm. minutes 10-10-94, C. C. Road Comm. minutes 11-4 and 11-18-94, C.A. School District Board Happenings 11-21-94, C-Tec Community Corresp. Vol. III, No. 3, C.C. Board of Comm. Minutes 11-16 and 11-30-94, Grayling City & Twp. Fire Dept. 9-94 and 10-94 Reports; AFLAC Account Appreciation Award.

BUSINESS:  
Motion by O'Mara, support by Ashton, to pay \$1,879 to AuSable Construction Co., Inc. for extra material needed to complete Township Hall re-roofing caused by a non-intentional error in computation of total square footage. Ayes, four; nays, Medler; motion carried.

Motion by Ashton, support by Corlew, to authorize contract with Consumers Power Co. for an additional street light on Crestwood Drive in Grayling Mobile Estates Special Assessment Lighting District. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Ashton, support by O'Mara, to hold a Special Meeting on Thursday, Jan. 5, 1995, at 4 p.m. in the Grayling Twp. Hall

regarding Zoning Enforcement Official position and Office Manager's recommendation regarding Building Dept. Ayes, five; nays, none; motion carried.

Supervisor noted that Robert Paulson will not be applying for re-appointment to the Grayling Township Compensation Commission when his term expires at the end of 1994. Also, members Susan Boelner and Mike Hees have moved from the community.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Corlew, to have Supervisor get proper wording from Twp. Attorney for an Ordinance to dissolve the formal Compensation Commission and institute an Ad-hoc Compensation Recommendation Committee comprised of volunteer Township residents and recommended by the Michigan Townships Association. Ayes, four; nays, Medler; motion carried.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Ashton, to accept the resignation of John Sojka from the Grayling Township Board of Review and thank him for his years of service to Grayling Township. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Medler, to authorize Supervisor to draft letter to County Board of Commissioners to commit financial support to continuance of the county wide "Master Plan." All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Ashton, to authorize refund of \$1,225.28 to North Lakeshore Drive Special Assessment District property owners. All ayes, motion carried.

Consensus of Board to authorize Supervisor to get estimates on replacement computer for the Building Dept.

REPORTS:  
Building Dept. (on file)  
Crawford County Transportation Authority: Special Election 1-24-95.

Motion by Medler, support by O'Mara, to pay bills on vouchers 16850, 16857-16884, Guardian Dental \$284.75, Board and Commission fees, \$502 for a total of \$21,397.80. Ayes, five; nays, none; motion carried.

Motion by Medler, support by O'Mara, to adjourn. All ayes.  
Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.  
Grayling Township Clerk

TIME OUT  
FOR THE  
HOLIDAY

- Regular banking hours on Saturday, December 31, 1994
- All offices will not be open Monday, January 2, 1995
- Regular banking hours will resume on Tuesday, January 3, 1995



24-Hour Banker will be on duty as usual.

Enjoy a safe holiday.

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# PAGE FEATURE

## VERSE OR WORSE

By Joe Murphy

### Christmas Eve Vigil

At midnight on Christmas eve I'd heard folks say  
Both cattle and sheep would kneel to pray  
To thank God for the honor of observing the birth  
Of Jesus the Son of God upon this earth

For in a humble stable, Jesus the Son of God was born  
To the virgin mother Mary upon a cold winter's morn  
The Babe in swaddling clothes in the manger lay  
Snug and warm on a bed of hay

I was a boy of ten and I wanted to see  
If it really was true what they had been telling me  
So I was up in the hayloft snug and warm  
While outside the door raged a winter storm

The cattle were in the barn below  
And a light was burning so I would know  
If at twelve o'clock the cattle would kneel  
To prove that story was for real

I set my old alarm clock for the midnight hour  
Placed the clock in a tin pail to give it extra power  
For I was a sound sleeper in that day  
And it took a lot of noise to drive sleep away

I fell to sleep in my nest in the hay  
And awoke to the sound of that old clock hammering away  
I looked and in the barn below  
The cattle were kneeling in a row

But was it in reverence or in fright  
Of that strange noise in their barn that night  
For cattle always got to their feet that way  
But I still like to think I saw cattle pray



**PATCH NEEDS A HOME**--Patch is a 5-month-old male Australian shepherd mix. He's housebroken and would make a great pet. If you would like to give him a home, or any of the other animals at the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, stop by or give them a call at 348-4117.

## PET CARE TIPS

Be careful of toys that have small parts that can be bitten off and swallowed by your pet, as well as those that are made of synthetic rubber or any other material that can be chewed into small pieces and swallowed.

## WEEKEND CROSSWORD

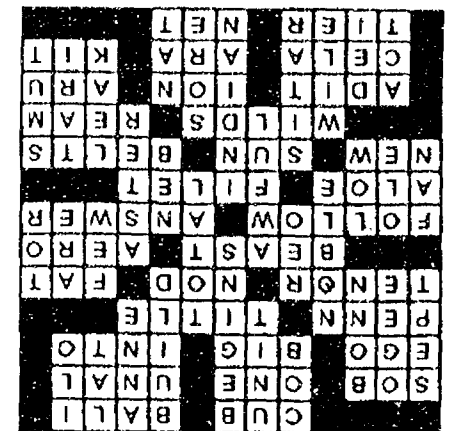
### ACROSS

1. Young bear
4. Indonesian island
8. Cry
11. Unit
12. Single
13. I
14. Large
15. In
16. Founder of Pennsylvania
18. Name
20. Male singing voice
22. Signal
23. Stout
26. Animal
28. Pert. to flight
29. Tail
32. Reply
34. Medicinal plant
35. \_\_\_ mignon
37. Modern
38. Our star
39. Strikes
43. Savage land
45. Twenty quires
46. Mine entrance
48. Charged particle
50. S. Sea island
51. That, Fr.
52. Parrot, Brazil
53. Gear

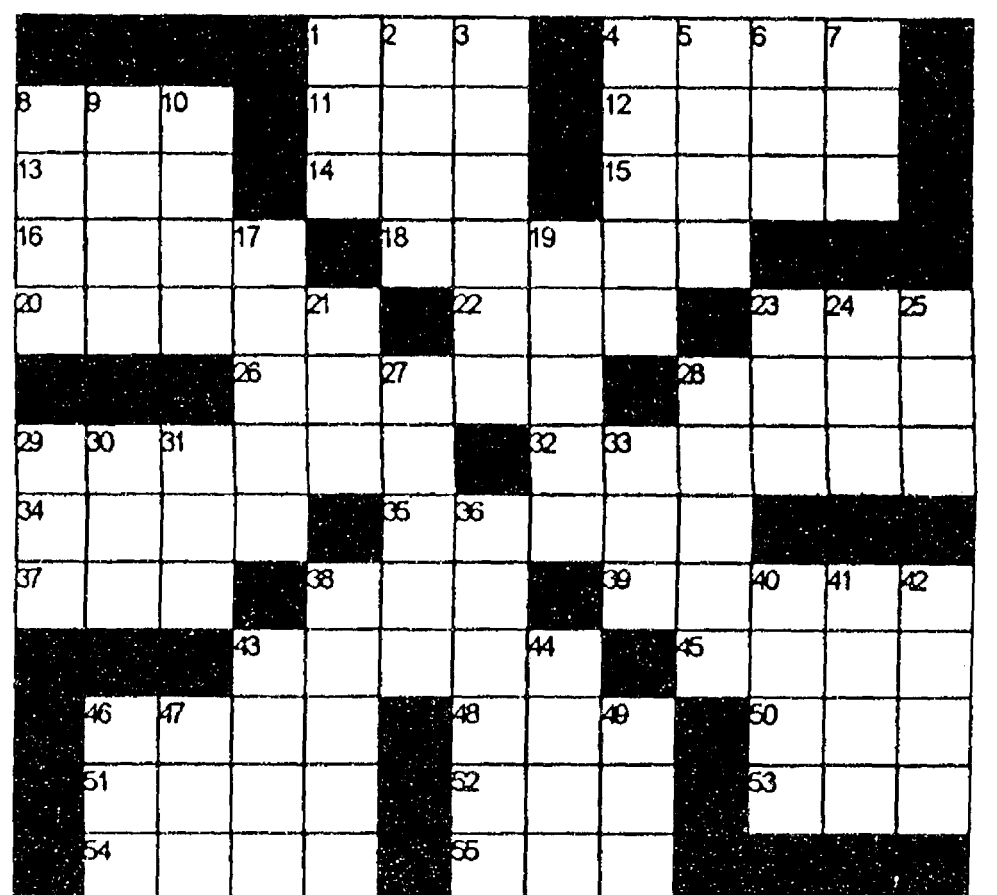
### DOWN

1. Cereal spike
2. Single thing
3. Starts
4. Construct
5. \_\_\_ of Cleves
6. Buddhist pillar
7. Worldwide worker's Group
8. September, abbr.
9. Curved molding
10. German city
17. Of outstanding character
19. Sum
21. Old auto

### THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE ANSWERS



23. Not many
24. Exist
25. Craggy hill
27. Terrible
28. Daisy-like flower
29. Follower
30. Bullfight cry
31. Base
33. Bird's beak
36. American native
38. Indian lute
40. Seep
41. Goddess of Earth
42. Dirt
43. Ploy
44. Tender
46. Perform
47. The gods
49. \_\_\_ King Cole



## YOUR HOROSCOPE

Forecast For: January 1 - 7, 1995

**ARIES**  
March 21-April 19

Happy New Year! Take time this week to really reaffirm your resolutions. Make them count and stick to them.

**TAURUS**  
April 20-May 20

Church services hold special interest to you now. Give more attention to children and listen to their concerns.

**GEMINI**  
May 21-June 20

Older person can save you valuable time. Learning from his mistakes can also save you money.

**CANCER**  
June 21-July 22

Age doesn't matter to those with common interests. Love doesn't bite just the young and innocent.

**LEO**  
July 23-Aug 22

Co-workers look to you for encouragement. Changes may occur that will demand greater effort on the part of all.

**VIRGO**  
Aug 23-Sept 22

Do a little "bud-nipping" at home. Don't allow problems to get out of hand. Take a light-hearted approach with young people.

**LIBRA**  
Sept 23-Oct 22

Travel plans may have to be postponed. Expect bad news to cancel out social activities.

**SCORPIO**  
Oct 23-Nov 21

Personal relationships change for the better. Be careful of what you wish may get it!

**SAGITTARIUS**  
Nov 22-Dec 21

Discuss your priorities with one who can help you achieve your dreams. A new direction may be pointed out to you.

**CAPRICORN**  
Dec 22-Jan 19

A child looks to you for comfort. Spend more quality time with him and uncover a hidden fear. Be patient.

**AQUARIUS**  
Jan 20-Feb 18

Keep your temper at bay. Don't be goaded into saying or doing something you might regret.

**PISCES**  
Feb 19-March 20

Romance could brighten up a long winter night. Open a bottle of wine and light a fire under someone you love.

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

### 23 years ago Dec. 30, 1971

A shorted wire was listed as the cause of a fire at the Howard Moggo residence, 204 Spruce St., at 11:24 Monday morning, according to Fire Chief Robert Golnick. He said that the fire caused very little damage, but smoke filled the house. The call was answered by 10 firemen.

Bruce Lennon is expected home by his parents, the John Lennons, on Dec. 30, to spend a 2-week leave. His home port is at Charleston, SC.

Several members of the Crawford County Grange and some guests attended a Christmas dinner at the Chipewewa Room of Chief Shoppengons Hotel on Dec. 15.

A quarter page ad in this week's *Avalanche* announced that "Mo is now 40!"

Amber Meech and Corlynn had as their dinner guests Christmas Day, her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Carlson and Cindi, and Bill Johns.

Iva Joan Gallagher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Gallagher of Grayling, has been placed on the dean's list for the fall quarter at Muskegon Business College.

The James Shepler family entertained at a family Christmas at their home. Those attending included the Don Campbells of Cheboygan, the Jack Campbells, Ed Hartigs, Vivan and Ruth Campbell, and Bertha Davis, all of Grayling.

The Harwood family celebrated their 24th annual Christmas dinner at the American Legion Hall, with 42 family members present.

Among those attending were Mrs. Helen Harwood of Grayling, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Campbell and girls of California, Mrs. Jan (Mathewson) Bailey of Alabama, and her brothers, Jay and Chris Mathewson of Bay City, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tiffin and family, and Mrs. Teresa Moran and son of Houghton Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Harwood and family of Lovells.

Also, Mr. and Mrs. John Rasmussen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Golnick and family, Miss Jill Harwood, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harney and son, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Campbell and daughter, and Minard Harwood, all of Grayling.

Carlene Church and fiancé Brian Dane of Kalamazoo, arrived here Friday to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Jack Church, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Reggie Ashton and family attended the Baptism service of their niece, Lori Linea Gust, daughter of the Lary Gusts, at Michelson Memorial Church on Sunday.

Deer hunters in Michigan took 63,000 whitetails during the recent firearm season, according to preliminary estimates of the Department of Natural Resources.

### Lovells news

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Koernke visited their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stalker at Saline and son Jim at Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Edith Hartman, Maude Brammer, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Laurie spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Merle Hartman and family.

Rupert Pearsall and family spent Christmas with relatives in Bay City. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Schaibly of Lansing, spent the weekend with his brother, Fred Schaibly.

### Frederic news

Rita and Ralph Sarault were Christmas Eve guests of the Robert Lozons.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Madill spent Sunday with the Caidas and Harwoods at Lovells, and Christmas Eve with the Lewis Stillwagons in Grayling.

Mrs. Ruby Alma took the small children of her Sunday School class on a hayride after Sunday School Sunday. Bill Cox provided the tractor and sleigh and gave them a long ride and then took each child home.

### 46 years ago Dec. 30, 1948

The Grayling Legion Post 106 with the able assistance of the roly poly, white-bearded gentleman known as Santa Claus, played host to the children of Grayling and Crawford County on Wednesday afternoon, at the Legion Hall. Well over 600 kiddies were entertained in the hall.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Knapp of Beaver Creek, was totally destroyed by fire on Thursday, Dec. 23. Knapp is 93 years old and she is 63. They had no insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Stormant and daughters, Judy and Susie of Ann Arbor, expect to spend the New Years weekend with her parents, the C. E. Hayes, down river.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Marlatt of Detroit, spent the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Wm. Strobe and her daughter and family, the Edwin LeButts.

Geraldine Golnick, R.N., of Bay

City, spent Christmas with her parents, Sheriff and Mrs. William Golnick.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Feldhauser and Robert W. Feldhauser of Pontiac, spent Christmas at the home of the Robert Feldhausers.

Otto Failing of Gaylord and Mrs. Bill Jensen and Rolla Failing of Grayling, called on their mother, Mrs. Alfred Hummel Friday.

Gerald, Bob and Doris Smith of Detroit, spent Christmas here with Mr. and Mrs. Ebdon Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bailey.

Ret. Bruce Babbitt was home for a few days furlough. Keith Babbitt of Detroit, also spent Christmas with the Richard Babbitts.

Carol Papenfus had the mumps last week. Her playmate, Carol Baynam has them this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Miljore and sons, Miss Alma Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Chet Gawerall of Detroit, visited the ladies parents, the Otis Weavers over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Weaver and daughter, Marla Sue, came home from Buchanan, Sunday.

Cpl. Melvin Marshall of Fort Benning, GA, is home on furlough. He was at Frederic at the C.S. Barbers Saturday night.

Bud Caid, who is a student at Elkhart, Indiana University, is spending his holiday vacation with his folks.

The Harold Johnson family are spending their holiday week in Crosswell with Mrs. Johnson's parents, also visiting Mr. Johnson's sister, near West Branch.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Hartman spent the Christmas holiday in Grand Rapids. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Frymire and little daughter, Sally of East Lansing, enjoyed Christmas with her parents, the Harold MacNevens.

Norman Dawson and family of Mt. Pleasant, spent Christmas with his parents, the Earl Dawsons.

Billyann Clippert is enjoying the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. G. Clippert.

Miss Christine Sales is the young lady responsible for the lovely Christmas music you hear late each afternoon. She has been playing the chimes at Michelson Memorial Church.

The Byron Randolphs and Mrs. Signe Randolph spent Christmas in Cadillac, with the Stanley Stephens.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Snyder and daughter, Peggy, of Bay City, were here to spend Christmas with her

mother, Mrs. Oscar Hanson and sister, Mrs. Ella Wilcox and Nancy.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Dunham announce the arrival of a son, Ronald James, who was born at Mercy Hospital Dec. 23.

Aviation Cadet Richard K. Nelson of Goodfellow Air Base, San Angelo, TX, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Nelson of Mt. Pleasant, spent the holidays with the young men's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Nelson.

Christmas guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bear are their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Waldron, daughter Hanna and son, Christopher of New York City, and their son, Michael Steger of West Point. Miss Kristen Arnesen of Ann Arbor, arrived Monday to spend several days.

The Jack Wades returned home Monday after spending Christmas with their children in Toledo.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Birdsall are spending the holiday week in Flint and Flushing with relatives.

### 69 years ago Dec. 31, 1925

Much enthusiasm was manifested in the recent doll contest held at the Mac & Gidley Store from Nov. 28 to Christmas eve. Miss Frances Jane Corwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Corwin, entered the race early and worked unceasingly for the first place, which she won by a close margin. Miss Audrey Brado, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Brado, followed a close second.

The pupils of Frederic School did themselves proud when they presented a fine Christmas program Wednesday evening, Dec. 23. Those giving recitations were Cathrine Ensign, Beatrice Murphy, Orville Murphy, Doris Goshorn, Sanford Charron, Ila Welsh, Marjorie Goshorn, Shirley Corsaut, Ashley Short, Maxine Sheldon, Floyd Ensign, Helma Corsaut, Frank Gerin, Lloyd Highlen, Clara Hunter, Ida Thayer, Erma Barber, Helen Badder, Ferris Parsons, Ernest Richard and Fremont Ensign.

Lewis Stillwagon entertained his little friends Saturday afternoon in honor of his eighth birthday.

Mrs. Charles Ewalt and daughter, Ila, are visiting friends here.

Miss Ona Lozon, who is employed in Detroit, visited over Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Lozon in Maple Forest.

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**GMS DECEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**--Jennifer Alma, Laura Bale, Tiffani Burdett, Alisha Carlisle, Allen Dickie, Mary Dobry, Nicolette Earls, Matt Evon, Sara Ford, Kim Hartman, Jonathan Haskel, Jessica Holzbauer, Kelly Jansen, Nick Love, Tom Maskelis, Danielle Niederer, Danielle Outman, Scott Paulins, Carter Pavey, Josh Petrie, Allison Schoen, Johnna Schultes, Kate Southard, Joe Strelchuck, Alexis Sumner, Ryan Swope, Maggie Todoroff, Bobby VanNuck, Marcus Weaver and Brett Black. Not pictured are Joe Hughes, Amanda Paisley and David Stocker.



**\$5,000 DELIVERY** -- Members of the Sales Department of the Grayling Holiday Inn will find some extra presents under their tree this year...about \$5,000 worth. Teaming up to participate in the 98 1/2 WUPS's Fourth Annual Holiday Delivery Giveaway proved more than profitable this year. Pictured above are (L to R) Sindy Winkler, Santa, Gary Beckwith, Amy LaGrow, Dion Clark and Kim Schmidt with some of the Holiday Delivery gifts.

# Lights of Love

## 1994 Star Donor

Ricki Stahl

## 1994 Golden Donors

Jack & Kae Lund, Paul Lerg, Paul & Donna Thomson, Cornell Realty & Agency, Larry & Maureen McNamara, Mike & Mary Forness, The Family of Angela Lynn Labo, The Family of Cecil Canfield, Dr. & Mrs. Charles Gosling, Dr. & Mrs. Blair Murphy, Tom & Jan Hunt

## 1994 Silver Donors

North Central Area Credit Union, Teddie & John Nims, Mary & Ward Parker, George & Lorna Morse, Eldon Norman, Ralph Stevens, John & Ann Sterling, Mary Noa, Gwen Summers, Roy & Joyce Vogelsberg, James Duley Family, Frances Gonsler, Daniel & Shirley Webb, Martin & Margaret Buckner, Mildred Fairgrieve, Dennis & Rosanne Renander, Dawn Schallaw, Herb & Cindy Olson, Willard & Phyllis Pfaff, Kronner Pharmacy, Dr. S. Shin, Moore's Automotive, The Witt's, Nelson & Helen Miles, Barbara Wilmot, Jim & Shirley Payette, Ted & Janet Czerwinski, Meyer's Land Survey Co. Inc., Charles Kelly, Frank & Sharon Zachry, Ed & Marge Martella, James & Kathy Parkinson, Mrs. Donald Brunt, Terrence Bloomquist, Mark & Lisa Zohoury, Cheryl & Dale Melroy, Mr. & Mrs. Larry Baynham Sr., Jean Flemer, Joseph Spicuzza, Martha Barium, Mike, Debra, Jade Looney, Empire National Bank, Doug & Debbie Simons, Ken & Mary Wright, Dr. E. Quachon, Gretchen Reiser, Susan Hensler, Dr. Arnold Sarya, Jerry & Camilla DeWitt, Linda Gorney, Donald Burkle, M.D., Dr. Ralph Steffe, E. F. Krolkowski, Martene M. Ritter, Schuyler & Juanita Gibson, Mary Ann, Kathy, Lynn & Jill & Karen from Dietary Dept., Millicent Quail, LeRoy & Loretta Christian, Scott & Amy Chesep, Ralph Steffe M.D., Dave & Jill Wyman

The  
Lights of Love  
are shining in the  
spirit of Christmas  
for the following individuals

Clayton Smith, Capt. T. Maldonado, Archie Taylor, Grandma & Grandpa Golin, Eldon Alexanderson, Rita Schlager, The McIsaac & Ranville Families, Deceased Members of McEvers Family, Visnaw Family, Cardinal Family, Worthey Family, Maj. John Parker, Christine Gray Parker, Theresa Fouracre, Vernon Fouracre, Irma Longenecker, Margaret Morse, Walter Olsen, Phyllis Schnaidt, Leroy Miller, Walter Nowak, Jackie Norman, Keith & Marion Johnson, Bill Sherlock, Margaret Kooritz, Frank Davison, Marion E. Agletree, Richard L. Nelson, Dr. Arthur Duwe, Gilson E. Lyons, Curtis Alan Benigni, All living and deceased relatives of Mary Noa, All living and deceased friends and ex-Mercy co-workers, Alonzo Kelly, Karen Walther, Mel Grindell, Len Blackmer, James Paul Martin, Gerald Wysock, Leland Graves, Joseph H. Wagner, Leo Zrebski, Chris Zrebski, Peggy Jane Sundquist, Patrick William Duffy, Loren J. Goodale, G. S. 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